Subject: Re: [PATCH] vt: Rework the console spawning variables. Posted by Oleg Nesterov on Mon, 11 Sep 2006 02:59:40 GMT

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On 09/10, Eric W. Biederman wrote:
> Oleg Nesterov <oleg@tv-sign.ru> writes:
> > On 09/10, Eric W. Biederman wrote:
> >>
> >> Updating this old code is painful.
> No, no, we shouldn't change the old code, it is fine.
> So what happens when:
> cpu0:
                        fn_SAK()->vc_reset()->put_pid(xchg(&vt_pid, NULL))
> kill_pid(vt_pid,....)
> Can't kill_pid dereference vt_pid after put_pid is called?
Ah, I didn't consider that patch as 'old code', sorry:)
I don't understand drivers/char/vt*, but surely put_pid(xchg()) can't work.
Again, unless we have a lock to serialize access to ->vt_pid, but in that
case we don't need xchg().
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