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Subject: [patch 07/10] allow unprivileged bind mounts  
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Allow bind mounts to unprivileged users if the following conditions are met:

- user mounts are permitted in the current mount namespace
- mountpoint is not a symlink or special file
- mountpoint is not a sticky directory or is owned by the current user
- mountpoint is writable by user
- the number of user mounts is below the maximum

Unprivileged mounts imply MS\_SETUSER, and will also have the "nosuid" and "nodev" mount flags set.

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--- linux.orig/fs/namespace.c 2007-04-12 14:04:25.000000000 +0200
+++ linux/fs/namespace.c 2007-04-12 14:04:27.000000000 +0200
@@ -237,11 +237,30 @@ static void dec_nr_user_mounts(void)
    spin_unlock(&vfsmount_lock);
}

-static void set_mnt_user(struct vfsmount *mnt)
+static int reserve_user_mount(void)
+{
+ int err = 0;
+ spin_lock(&vfsmount_lock);
+ if (nr_user_mounts >= max_user_mounts && !capable(CAP_SYS_ADMIN))
+ err = -EPERM;
+ else
+ nr_user_mounts++;
+ spin_unlock(&vfsmount_lock);
+ return err;
+}
+
+static void __set_mnt_user(struct vfsmount *mnt)
{
    BUG_ON(mnt->mnt_flags & MNT_USER);
    mnt->mnt_uid = current->uid;
    mnt->mnt_flags |= MNT_USER;
+ if (!capable(CAP_SYS_ADMIN))
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+ mnt->mnt_flags |= MNT_NOSUID | MNT_NODEV;
+}
+
+static void set_mnt_user(struct vfsmount *mnt)
+{
+ __set_mnt_user(mnt);
+ spin_lock(&vfsmount_lock);
+ nr_user_mounts++;
+ spin_unlock(&vfsmount_lock);
@@ -260,9 +279,16 @@ static struct vfsmount *clone_mnt(struct
+ int flag)
+ {
+ struct super_block *sb = old->mnt_sb;
- struct vfsmount *mnt = alloc_vfsmnt(old->mnt_devname);
+ struct vfsmount *mnt;
+
+ if (flag & CL_SETUSER) {
+ int err = reserve_user_mount();
+ if (err)
+ return ERR_PTR(err);
+ }
+ mnt = alloc_vfsmnt(old->mnt_devname);
+ if (!mnt)
- return ERR_PTR(-ENOMEM);
+ goto alloc_failed;

+ mnt->mnt_flags = old->mnt_flags;
+ atomic_inc(&sb->s_active);
@@ -274,7 +300,7 @@ static struct vfsmount *clone_mnt(struct
+ /* don't copy the MNT_USER flag */
+ mnt->mnt_flags &= ~MNT_USER;
+ if (flag & CL_SETUSER)
- set_mnt_user(mnt);
+ __set_mnt_user(mnt);

+ if (flag & CL_SLAVE) {
+ list_add(&mnt->mnt_slave, &old->mnt_slave_list);
@@ -299,6 +325,11 @@ static struct vfsmount *clone_mnt(struct
+ spin_unlock(&vfsmount_lock);
+ }
+ return mnt;
+
+
+ alloc_failed:
+ if (flag & CL_SETUSER)
+ dec_nr_user_mounts();
+ return ERR_PTR(-ENOMEM);
+ }

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static inline void __mntput(struct vfsmount *mnt)
@@ -745,22 +776,35 @@ asmlinkage long sys_oldumount(char __use

#endif

-static int mount_is_safe(struct nameidata *nd)
+/*
+ * Conditions for unprivileged mounts are:
+ * - user mounts are permitted in the current mount namespace
+ * - mountpoint is not a symlink or special file
+ * - mountpoint is "absolutely" writable by user
+ * o if it's a sticky directory, it must be owned by the user
+ * o it must not be an append-only file/directory
+ */
+static int mount_is_safe(struct nameidata *nd, int *flags)
{
+ struct inode *inode = nd->dentry->d_inode;
+
+ if (capable(CAP_SYS_ADMIN))
+   return 0;
- return -EPERM;
-#ifdef notyet
- if (S_ISLNK(nd->dentry->d_inode->i_mode))
+
+ if (!(current->nsproxy->mnt_ns->flags & MNT_NS_PERMIT_USERMOUNTS))
+   return -EPERM;
- if (nd->dentry->d_inode->i_mode & S_ISVTX) {
-   if (current->uid != nd->dentry->d_inode->i_uid)
-     return -EPERM;
- }
- if (vfs_permission(nd, MAY_WRITE))
+
+ if (!S_ISDIR(inode->i_mode) && !S_ISREG(inode->i_mode))
+   return -EPERM;
+
+ if ((inode->i_mode & S_ISVTX) && current->fsuid != inode->i_uid)
+   return -EPERM;
+
+ if (vfs_permission(nd, MAY_WRITE) || IS_APPEND(inode))
+   return -EPERM;
+
+ *flags |= MS_SETUSER;
+   return 0;
-#endif
}

static int lives_below_in_same_fs(struct dentry *d, struct dentry *dentry)
@@ -981,7 +1025,7 @@ static int do_loopback(struct nameidata

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int clone_flags;
struct nameidata old_nd;
struct vfsmount *mnt = NULL;
- int err = mount_is_safe(nd);
+ int err = mount_is_safe(nd, &flags);
if (err)
return err;
if (!old_name || !*old_name)
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