Subject: Re: [patch 05/10] add "permit user mounts in new namespace" clone flag Posted by ebjederm on Fri, 13 Apr 2007 04:45:33 GMT

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"Serge E. Hallyn" <serue@us.ibm.com> writes:
> Quoting Miklos Szeredi (miklos@szeredi.hu):
>> From: Miklos Szeredi <mszeredi@suse.cz>
>>
>> If CLONE NEWNS and CLONE NEWNS USERMNT are given to clone(2) or
>> unshare(2), then allow user mounts within the new namespace.
>> This is not flexible enough, because user mounts can't be enabled for
>> the initial namespace.
>> The remaining clone bits also getting dangerously few...
>> Alternatives are:
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>> - prctl() flag
   - setting through the containers filesystem
> Sorry, I know I had mentioned it, but this is definately my least
> favorite approach.
> Curious whether are any other suggestions/opinions from the containers
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Given the existence of shared subtrees allowing/denying this at the mount namespace level is silly and wrong.

If we need more than just the filesystem permission checks can we make it a mount flag settable with mount and remount that allows non-privileged users the ability to create mount points under it in directories they have full read/write access to.

I don't like the use of clone flags for this purpose but in this case the shared subtress are a much more fundamental reasons for not doing this at the namespace level.

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