Subject: Re: [RFC][PATCH 15/16] Enable signaling child reaper from parent ns. Posted by serue on Fri, 25 May 2007 20:13:33 GMT

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> Subject: Enable signaling child reaper from parent ns.
> From: Sukadev Bhattiprolu <sukadev@us.ibm.com>
> The reaper of a child namespace must receive signals from its parent pid
> namespace but not receive any signals from its own namespace.
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> This is a very early draft :-) and following tests seem to pass
>

    Successfully kill child reaper from parent namespace (init_pid_ns)

  - Fail to kill child reaper from within its namespace (non init pid ns)
  - kill -1 1 from init_pid_ns seemed to work (rescanned inittab)
> TODO:
 - Test async io and SIGIO delivery.
  - Allow any legitimate signals that the child reaper can receive
   from within its namespace? (we block all signals now)
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>
      - Sending SIGKILL to the child reaper of a namespace terminates the
>
        namespace But if the namespace remounted /proc from user space,
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   /proc would remain mounted even after reaper and other process in
>
   the namespace go away.
> Signed-off-by: Sukadev Bhattiprolu <sukadev@us.ibm.com>
  kernel/signal.c | 22 ++++++++++++++++++
  1 file changed, 21 insertions(+), 1 deletion(-)
>
> Index: lx26-21-mm2/kernel/signal.c
> --- lx26-21-mm2.orig/kernel/signal.c 2007-05-22 16:59:42.000000000 -0700
> +++ lx26-21-mm2/kernel/signal.c 2007-05-22 16:59:57.000000000 -0700
 @@ -507,6 +507,20 @@ static int check_kill_permission(int sig
     && !capable(CAP_KILL))
   return error;
>
> + * If t is the reaper of its namespace and someone from that
> + * namespace is trying to send a signal.
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> + *
> + * Note: If some one from parent namespace is sending a signal,
> + * task_child_reaper() != t and we allow the signal.
> + *
> + * In the child namespace, does this block even legitimate signals
> + * like the ones telinit sends to /sbin/init ?
> + *
> + *
> + */
> + if ((!is_global_init(t)) && (t == task_child_reaper(t)))
> + return -EPERM;
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Ok, let's just go over the desired semantics.

Current treatment of init for signals is evident at kernel/signal.c:get_signal_to_deliver(). There we used to check whether current->pid == 1, which was turned into (current == child_reaper(current)).

First note on that, (current == child_reaper(current)) is correct if we want to treat a container init as init no matter who sends the signal, however I contend that if a signal is sent from an ancester namespace, then we want to treat the task like any other task.

Could I get some confirmation or rebuttal from Suka, Eric, Dave, or Pavel?

Next, note where that check is done: If the task has it's own custom handler for a signal, then that will get called. Only if the handler is the default, do we check whether the target is the init task. This is why this patch is wrong, Suka. If init sets up a handler for USR1, then tasks should be able to do a kill -USR1 1.

Ok, so finally here's the problem to solve. As I said above, if we are willing to treat a container init like init no matter who signals it, then we're ok with the current code. But if we want a container init to be treated like a normal process if signaled from an ancestor pidns, then we'll need to tack a struct pid or struct pid_ns pointer into struct siginfo. And this means taking a reference to one of those, which means slowing things down a touch.

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thanks,
-serge

> +
> error = security_task_kill(t, info, sig, 0);
> if (!error)
> audit_signal_info(sig, t); /* Let audit system see the signal */
> @ @ -1910,7 +1924,13 @ @ relock:
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> /*
> * Init of a pid space gets no signals it doesn't want from
> * within that pid space. It can of course get signals from
> - * its parent pid space.
> + * its parent pid space. But we have no way of knowing the
> + * namespace from which the signal was sent. For now check
> + * if we are global init here and add additional checks in
> + * sys_kill() and friends.
> + *
> + * Note that t == task_child_reaper(t) implies t is the global
> + * init (and we are in init_pid_ns).
> */
> if (current == task_child_reaper(current))
> continue;
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