Subject: Re: [PATCH 1/6] user namespace: add the framework Posted by akpm on Mon, 16 Jul 2007 01:31:32 GMT

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On Mon, 4 Jun 2007 14:40:24 -0500 "Serge E. Hallyn" <serue@us.ibm.com> wrote:

- > Add the user namespace struct and framework
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- > Basically, it will allow a process to unshare its user struct table, resetting
- > at the same time its own user struct and all the associated accounting.

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- > A new root user (uid == 0) is added to the user namespace upon creation. Such
- > root users have full privileges and it seems that theses privileges should be
- > controlled through some means (process capabilities ?)

The whole magical-uid-0-user thing in this patch seem just wrong to me.

I'll merge it anyway, mainly because I want to merge _something_ (why oh why do the git-tree guys leave everything to the last minute?) but it strikes me that there's something fundamentally wrong whenever the kernel starts "knowing" about the significance of UIDs in this fashion.

It worries me.

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