Subject: Re: Playing with namespaces and bloat-o-meeter Posted by serue on Wed, 26 Sep 2007 15:42:36 GMT

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Quoting Pavel Emelyanov (xemul@openvz.org):
> Eric W. Biederman wrote:
> > Pavel Emelyanov < xemul@openvz.org> writes:
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> >>>
>>>> +config NAMESPACES
>>> + bool "The namespaces support"
>>>> + help
>>>> + Provides the way to make tasks work with different objects using
>>> + the same id
> >>> +
>>>> +config NS_UTS
>>>> + bool "Uname namespace"
>>>> + depends on NAMESPACES
> >>> + help
>>>> + The utsname namespace
> >>> +
>>>> +config NS IPC
>>>> + bool "IPC namespace"
>>>> + depends on NAMESPACES && SYSVIPC
> >>> + help
>>>> + The SYSVIPC ids namespaces
> >>> +
>>>> +config NS_PIDS
>>>> + bool "PID namespace"
>>>> + depends on NAMESPACES
> >>> + help
>>>> + Tasks see only the pids living in the same namespace and in the
>>>> + child namespaces
> >>> +
>>>> +config NS_UID
>>>> + bool "UID namespace"
>>>> + depends on NAMESPACES && EXPERIMENTAL
>>>> + help
>>>> + Support user namespaces. This allows containers, i.e.
>>> + vservers, to use user namespaces to provide different
>>>> + user info for different servers. If unsure, say N.
> >>> +
>>>> config BLK_DEV_INITRD
>>> bool "Initial RAM filesystem and RAM disk (initramfs/initrd) support"
>>>> depends on BROKEN | !FRV
>> The reason we removed these options earlier was a maintenance issue
> > and the fact we could not actually compile out the namespaces.
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> I do not propose to compile out the namespaces, I just propose
> to compile out the code that does the clone and release of new
> namespaces. This is absolutely painless.
>> If we don't cause maintenance complications I think the general
> > idea is fine. But please. This all should show up under
> > CONFIG_EMBEDDED since the only purpose is to save space.
> Hm... Ok, but I also try to save the vmlinux size on my home
> PC, so I'd be happy if I could just throw these things out.
> Anyway - I will move the CONFIG_NAMESPACES to be selectable
> with the EMBEDDED only.
>> While things are experimental there is an additional purpose of
>> not exposing people to broken or partially working code, so it
> > does make sense to have an option there.
>
> Ok, thanks.
> So your accolades, can they be transformed into Acked-by-s or
> just mentioned in the patch like "reviewed and approved by ..."?
I for one have no objection to the idea itself. There have been several
good suggestions though so I would like to see one more round here to
which I can add an Acked-by.
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thanks, -serge

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