Subject: Re: [PATCH] pidns: Place under CONFIG_EXPERIMENTAL (take 2) Posted by Cedric Le Goater on Mon, 29 Oct 2007 10:13:42 GMT

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> Adrian Bunk <bunk@kernel.org> writes:

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- >> On Sun, Oct 28, 2007 at 09:12:34AM -0700, Jeremy Fitzhardinge wrote:
- >>> Eric W. Biederman wrote:
- >>>> Roughly that sounds like CONFIG_EXPERIMENTAL to me. But I would
- >>>> be happy to hear if someone has a better idea.
- >>> Rather than overload an existing config option, why not add one with the
- >>> specific semantics you want: CONFIG_UNSTABLE_UABI. The problem seems
- >>> like one which which may occur again, though one hopes not too often. I
- >>> guess the risk is that people will leave their subsystems depending on
- >>> it permanently (sysfs?), so it ends up being set all the time and
- >>> becomes as useless as EXPERIMENTAL...
- >> Then let SYSFS depend on UNSTABLE UABI for the next 10 years and we have
- >> an excuse for breaking the ABI with each new kernel...

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>> Either the ABI is stable or it should not be exposed to users at all.

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- > If we need a new config for it. CONFIG_IMMATURE is the closest I
- > can think of.

Pavel also has a CONFIG_NAMESPACES patch that he should be resending to andrew when 2.6.24-rc1-mm1 is released. pidns will go under this option, like all the other namespaces, and should protect the distros from shipping any immature namespace.

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