
Subject: [PATCH 0/8 net-2.6.26] [NETNS]: namespace refcounting cleanup

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Network namespace has two reference counters:

- count
- use_count.

The namespace is scheduled to destruction automatically when the count becomes 0.

There are several SLAB objects with a pointer to a namespace on them.

These objects are cleaned up during namespace stop. Some of them increment use_count, some don't. This set fixes this discrepancy, i.e. now all such objects increment the use_count.

Though, the use_count itself is used in a very debug manner and checked only during namespace stop. So, I have placed it under NETNS_REFCNT_DEBUG definition exactly like this is done for socket refcounting code to remove extra atomic from any possible fast paths.

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