Subject: Re: --private vs --root

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I have retried --root /root1 and --private /root1 and this is what I observed.

1. If I pass --root /root1, then what is happening is that container, as usual, is getting setup under /vz/private/101 and /root1 is not used during the creation. However, if the container 101 is started, VZ seems to mount the /vz/private/101 onto /root1 so that the /root1 is now available to the host node.

You stop the container access to it goes away, but interestingly file system 'space' seem to persist on /root1 in 'invisible' form. You can claim back the space only when you restart the computer.

So, --root option is to make the container file system visible to host node.

If I pass --private /root1, I get:
Private area already exists in /root1
Creation of container private area failed

So, I am clearly missing something very basic. In the first place, is what I am trying makes sense? Is it a good idea to set aside a partition for container's root file system? If it is, how can I have a the container setup on a partition available on the host node?

Thanks!