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Subject: Re: [RFC] network namespaces

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Andrey Savochkin wrote:

> Hi All,

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> I'd like to resurrect our discussion about network namespaces.

> In our previous discussions it appeared that we have rather polar concepts

> which seemed hard to reconcile.

> Now I have an idea how to look at all discussed concepts to enable everyone's

> usage scenario.

Hi Andrey,

I have a few questions ... sorry for asking so late ;)

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> 1. The most straightforward concept is complete separation of namespaces,

> covering device list, routing tables, netfilter tables, socket hashes, and

> everything else.

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> On input path, each packet is tagged with namespace right from the

> place where it appears from a device, and is processed by each layer

> in the context of this namespace.

If you have the namespace where is coming the packet, why do you tag the packet instead of switching to the right namespace ?

> Non-root namespaces communicate with the outside world in two ways: by

> owning hardware devices, or receiving packets forwarded them by their parent

> namespace via pass-through device.

Do you will do proxy arp and ip forwarding into the root namespace in order to make non-root namespace visible from the outside world ?

Regards.

-- Daniel

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