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Subject: Re: [PATCH 10/12] L2 network namespace: playing with pass-through device

Posted by [Daniel Lezcano](#) on Tue, 12 Dec 2006 13:59:31 GMT

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Posted by [Mishin Dmitry](#) on Tue, 12 Dec 2006 14:04:20 GMT

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Posted by [Daniel Lezcano](#) on Tue, 12 Dec 2006 14:10:21 GMT

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 Posted by [Mishin Dmitry](#) on Tue, 12 Dec 2006 14:12:55 GMT  
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Posted by [Daniel Lezcano](#) on Tue, 12 Dec 2006 14:19:56 GMT

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Posted by [Mishin Dmitry](#) on Tue, 12 Dec 2006 14:26:43 GMT

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Subject: Re: [PATCH 10/12] L2 network namespace: playing with pass-through  
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Posted by [Vlad Yasevich](#) on Tue, 12 Dec 2006 14:52:11 GMT

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I hope the answer is yes... It seems to me that we do way to many lookups like this:

```
+ rcu_read_lock();
+ in_dev = __in_dev_get_rcu(dev);
+ if (!in_dev)
+   goto no_in_dev;
+
+ for_ifa(in_dev) {
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in the proposed L3 code.

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I think they should be destroyed as well. This is where the child\_list will/should be used.

However, I don't see a need for sibling\_list until interface migration is done.

-vlad

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Subject: Re: [PATCH 10/12] L2 network namespace: playing with pass-through device

Posted by [Daniel Lezcano](#) on Tue, 12 Dec 2006 15:50:50 GMT

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Posted by [Herbert Poetzel](#) on Wed, 13 Dec 2006 07:18:15 GMT

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On Tue, Dec 12, 2006 at 04:50:50PM +0100, Daniel Lezcano wrote:

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Yes, exact. We will need a specific socket cleanup by namespace in order to do network migration. This is the only case I see to 'zap' the sockets.

The sockets should never be flushed in other cases. For example, you launch an application into a network namespace, it sends 10MB to a peer and exits. The network namespace should stay "alive" until all orphans sockets have flushed their buffers to the peer. This behavior is perfectly handled by the kref mechanism because sock\_release will "put" the network namespace and that will trigger the network namespace destruction.

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I think this should be addressed later for the network checkpoint/restart.

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