
Subject: Re: [patch 0/8] unprivileged mount syscall

Posted by [hpa](#) on Sat, 07 Apr 2007 00:22:49 GMT

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> So both the source (/) and target (~/down_under) directory must be owned

> by the user before --bind may succeed.

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> There may be other implications hpa might want to fill us in.

Consider backups, for example.

-hpa

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Posted by [Eric Van Hensbergen](#) on Sat, 07 Apr 2007 03:40:20 GMT

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Posted by [Miklos Szeredi](#) on Sat, 07 Apr 2007 06:48:20 GMT
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Yes, disabling user bind mounts in the global namespace makes sense.

Enabling user fuse mounts in the global namespace still works though, even if a little cludgy. All these nasty corner cases have been thought through and validated by a lot of users.

Thanks,
Miklos

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