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There are 2 reasons for such a signal.

The first is to be able to freeze a group of tasks before checkpointing it. the swsusp freezer does that already, with a stealth signal by faking it.

The second is to be able to run some code in the context of the current task. There's plenty of simple ways to get/set process and kernel states through syscalls. Why not use them ? Of course, we cannot do everything in user and, whenever needed, we would use a kernel helper. memory is one requiring a big helper (swap).

It would also require to have a user space handler in some lib.

I'd like to address that topic at the C/R bof.

Thanks,

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