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Subject: Re: [RFC][PATCH 0/1]a new optional function for task assignment to cgroup

Posted by [Paul Menage](#) on Wed, 05 Mar 2008 05:56:13 GMT

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Hi Kazunaga,

On Tue, Mar 4, 2008 at 9:39 PM, Kazunaga Ikeno <k-ikeno@ak.jp.nec.com> wrote:

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Thank you for your comment.  
Because it was the almost same timing, I did not notice about Dhaval Giani's plan.  
I will investigate it.

- Kazunaga Ikeno.

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The daemon was posted at  
<http://article.gmane.org/gmane.linux.kernel/553267> . At that point  
control groups were called containers. These corrections will have to  
made for it to run.

If I can get the time, I will clean it up and try to put it up  
somewhere.

Thanks,

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regards,  
Dhaval

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