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Posted by [Benjamin Thery](#) on Fri, 14 Mar 2008 15:38:18 GMT

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Thanks a lot.

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Subject: Re: nets: status of sysfs with netns

Posted by [Pavel Emelianov](#) on Fri, 14 Mar 2008 15:44:49 GMT

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Subject: Re: nets: status of sysfs with netns  
Posted by [Benjamin Thery](#) on Fri, 14 Mar 2008 15:54:07 GMT  
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Oh, that explains why I didn't find it :)  
I must have misunderstood what I heard...

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Subject: Re: nets: status of sysfs with netns  
Posted by [ebiederm](#) on Tue, 18 Mar 2008 17:01:23 GMT  
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Pavel Emelyanov <[xemul@openvz.org](mailto:xemul@openvz.org)> writes:

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So I need to resend. I won't for a week or two because I am right in the middle of moving.

Sorry I thought I had replied to the earlier question of status with this but it seems that message got lost somewhere in the delivery process.

Eric

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Subject: Re: nets: status of sysfs with netns  
Posted by [Daniel Lezcano](#) on Fri, 11 Apr 2008 15:33:03 GMT  
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Eric W. Biederman wrote:

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Hi Eric,

I tried to look at your patchset but I was unable to find it. Do you have it somewhere available ? I was guessing I could play with it and by the way test it a little ;)

Thanks

-- Daniel

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