
Subject: Re: Packaging of kernel-patch-openvz for Debian
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>> I'm in the process of packaging kernel-patch-openvz for Debian
>> and I have a few questions:

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>> * In the kernel patch that I downloaded from your download
>> section
>> <http://download.openvz.org/beta/kernel/026test005.1/patches/>
>> I see a lot of references to the following copyright statement.
>> Licensing governed by "linux/COPYING.SWsoft" file.
>> The problem is that no such file exist in the patch, nor in any
>> other place that I can find.

>>
> Whoops, looks like we missed that very file from the devel kernel
> series. Kirill, can you please fix it ASAP?
yup, will be fixed in next version.
attached this file, so you could add it until we fixed it.

> The file is present in the stable (2.6.8) kernels though. It is
> basically a GPL.
It is _GPL_. With small additional clarification before the license:

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> We put this very file and the reference to it as a result of discussion
> on users@ list back in September 2005, in order to make it certain that
> this is the GPL and nothing else. See the first thread at
> <http://openvz.org/pipermail/users/2005-September/thread.html> .
>
>> In order for it to be included into Debian it need to be clear
>> that this is GPL software and right now it is not possible
>> to determine (more than looking on the webpage and that can be
>> changed later).
>>
> Hopefully we will release the next kernel with the forgotten file added.

>
>> * Is there any other that have copyright on this?
>>
> AFAIK all the OpenVZ stuff is copyrighted by SWsoft. Kirill, plz correct
> me if I'm wrong.
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can copyright it as well.

Thanks,
Kirill

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