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# How to solve quail-inject: fatal: qq temporary problem (#4.3.0) Qmail and Qmail Scanner problems on Debian Linux Wheezy

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**Below QMAIL error** 

qmail-inject: fatal: qq temporary problem (#4.3.0)

occured to me right after upgraded from Debian Linux Squeeze 6 to Debian 7 Wheezy,

**qmail-inject: fatal: qq temporary problem (#4.3.0)** is really terrible error and I only experienced that error in my **Thunderbird** during sending mails, mail receiving doesn't work either, so as normally when

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there are problems with Qmail its a lot of puzzling until you get it.

There is no even trace in logs on what might be causing it, strangely enough nothing in **qmail-smtpd**, **qmail-send logs**, the mail server and all components seemed to work perfectly fine I checked whether there are libraries that are missing with a small loop line as follows:

root@pcfreak:/var/log/qmail/qmail-smtpd# **for i in \$(ls -1 /var/qmail/bin/\*); do ldd \$i |grep -i ''not found''; done** root@pcfreak:/var/log/qmail/qmail-smtpd#

The absence of result indicates, all binaries are properly linked and no found mmissing libraries.

After investigating closely what might be wrong and reading comments on <u>Thibs QmailRocks Install</u> <u>Omail-Scanner page</u>, I realied

the error might be caused, because of problems with **suid perl**, as I already checked my earlier post in which <u>I seemed to have faced the same qmail-inject</u>: fatal: qq temporary problem (#4.3.0) error on <u>Debian Wheezy</u> and explained the possible reasons <u>what might be causing the qq qmail error here as well</u>

and a <u>related issue I experienced earlier with quail scanner unable to create files in previous article here</u> Suid Perl no longer available as a package and therefore because of the inability of perl to run as root anymore in Debian Wheezy, quail-scanner-queue.pl script did not work either.

root@pcfreak:/downloads/simscan-1.4.0# 320 echo "hi, testing." > /tmp/mailtest.txt root@pcfreak:/downloads/simscan-1.4.0# env QMAILQUEUE=/var/qmail/bin/qmail-scanner-queue /var/qmail/bin/qmail-inject you@yourdomain.com
YOU HAVEN'T DISABLED SET-ID SCRIPTS IN THE KERNEL YET!
FIX YOUR KERNEL, PUT A C WRAPPER AROUND THIS SCRIPT, OR USE -u AND UNDUMP!

qmail-inject: fatal: qq permanent problem (#5.3.0)



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root@pcfreak:/downloads/simscan-1.4.0# /var/qmail/bin/qmail-scanner-queue YOU HAVEN'T DISABLED SET-ID SCRIPTS IN THE KERNEL YET! FIX YOUR KERNEL, PUT A C WRAPPER AROUND THIS SCRIPT, OR USE -u AND UNDUMP!

A short note to make here is **qmail-scanner-queue** and **qmail-scanner-queue.pl** are set with suid bit set as follows:

root@pcfreak:/home/hipo/info# ls -al /var/qmail/bin/{qmail-scanner-queue,qmail-scanner-queue.pl}

- -rwsr-sr-x 1 qscand qscand 6814 ??? 14 17:22 /var/qmail/bin/qmail-scanner-queue\*
- -rwsr-sr-x 1 gscand qscand 158880 ??? 14 23:52 /var/qmail/bin/qmail-scanner-queue.pl\*

Good to say here is **qmail-scanner-queue** is a suid wrapper binary that actually invokes **qmail-scanner-queue.pl** 

root@pcfreak:/downloads/simscan-1.4.0# su hipo hipo@pcfreak:/downloads/simscan-1.4.0\$ /var/qmail/bin/qmail-scanner-queue.pl -g perlscanner: generate new DB file from /var/spool/qscan/quarantine-events.txt hipo@pcfreak:/downloads/simscan-1.4.0\$ exit

root@pcfreak:/downloads/simscan-1.4.0# cp /downloads/qmail-scanner root@pcfreak:/downloads/simscan-1.4.0# chmod 644 /etc/logrotate.d/qmail-scanner root@pcfreak:/downloads/simscan-1.4.0# cd /downloads/qmail-scanner-2.11st/contrib root@pcfreak:/downloads/qmail-scanner-2.11st/contrib# chmod 755 test\_installation.sh root@pcfreak:/downloads/qmail-scanner-2.11st/contrib# ./test\_installation.sh -doit



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Sending standard test message - no viruses... 1/4 qmail-inject: fatal: qq temporary problem (#4.3.0) Bad error. qmail-inject died

This are the other things, I've done to fix possible permission issues

root@pcfreak:/downloads/qmail-scanner-2.11st/contrib# sudo -u qscand /var/qmail/bin/qmail-scanner-queue.pl -z

root@pcfreak:/downloads/qmail-scanner-2.11st/contrib# chown qscand:qscand /var/spool/qscan/qmail-scanner-queue-version.txt

In /etc/sudoers add following lines:

root@pcfreak:~# vim /etc/sudoers

ALL ALL=(qscand) NOPASSWD: /var/qmail/bin/qmail-scanner-queue.pl ##necroleak ALL=(ALL) ALL

Defaults env\_keep +="TCPREMOTEIP TCPREMOTEHOST TCPREMOTEINFO REMOTE\_OS REMOTE\_COUNTRY QS\_SPAMASSASSIN SA\_ONLYDELETE\_HOST SA\_WHITELIST"

root@pcfreak:/downloads/qmail-scanner-2.11st/contrib# cat /etc/sudoers

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#/etc/sudoers
#
# This file MUST be edited with the 'visudo' command as root.
#
# See the man page for details on how to write a sudoers file.
#

Defaults env_reset
# Host alias specification
# User alias specification
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#### # Cmnd alias specification

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# User privilege specification

root ALL=(ALL) ALL

hipo ALL=(ALL) ALL

ALL ALL=(qscand) NOPASSWD: /var/qmail/bin/qmail-scanner-queue.pl

##necroleak ALL=(ALL) ALL

Defaults env_keep += "TCPREMOTEIP TCPREMOTEHOST TCPREMOTEINFO

REMOTE_OS REMOTE_COUNTRY QS_SPAMASSASSIN SA_ONLYDELETE_HOST

SA_WHITELIST"

# Allow members of group sudo to execute any command

# (Note that later entries override this, so you might need to move

# it further down)

%sudo ALL=(ALL) ALL

#

#includedir /etc/sudoers.d
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In case you wonder why we put the line in /etc/sudoers:

Defaults env\_keep +="TCPREMOTEIP TCPREMOTEHOST TCPREMOTEINFO REMOTE\_OS REMOTE\_COUNTRY QS\_SPAMASSASSIN SA\_ONLYDELETE\_HOST SA WHITELIST"

The reason behind this is that by default sudo resets the environment variables when executing the command. Thus quail-scanner cannot recognize the important info regarding the incoming mail and treats everything as coming from localhost, which leads to passing everything without scanning. The above line preserves the important *ENV variables for quail-scanner*.

In /etc/sudoers add following lines:

root@pcfreak:/downloads/qmail-scanner-2.11st/contrib# vim /var/qmail/bin/qmail-scanner-queue.pl



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Right after comments or in Line 1 ADD

my \$real\_uid="qscand";
my \$effective\_uid="qscand";

Also somewhere in the beginning of scripts lets say after above two variable declarations add:

\$ENV{'PATH'}='/bin:/usr/bin'; \$whoami = getpwuid(\$