

Packages - Freedom Issue #36

[linux-api-headers][aarch64-linux-gnu-linux-api-headers][riscv64-linux-gnu-linux-api-headers]: has source containing and recommending nonfree software

2012-03-04 02:29 PM - mtjm

Status: fixed	% Done: 100%
Priority: freedom issue	
Assignee:	
Category:	
Description	
The fix is to use Linux-libre source, like it's done in abslibre-mips64el.	
Related issues:	
Related to Packages - Freedom Issue #1571: [aarch64-linux-gnu-linux-api-heade...	fixed 2017-12-15

History

#4 - 2012-03-09 11:44 AM - Anonymous

linux-libre-api-headers is now available for x86_64 and i686 ;)

#6 - 2017-12-15 05:34 PM - Megver83

- Related to Freedom Issue #1571: [aarch64-linux-gnu-linux-api-headers] compiles using blobbed linux kernel sources added

#7 - 2022-07-14 05:46 AM - bill-auger

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[aarch64-linux-gnu-linux-api-headers] compiles using blobbed linux kernel sources

erm ... which source code? - which blobs? - how would anyone ever know if that is still true? - maybe those sources and/or blobs are not there anymore

i added this ticket as the blacklist bug reference, as it is the only known reference to this alleged freedom bug and other packages are repeating this claim and referencing this ticket as the justification for blacklisting; but as documentation this bug report is useless - it pretty much guarantees that these packages can never be removed from the blacklist

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#8 - 2022-07-14 05:47 AM - bill-auger

- Subject changed from linux-api-headers has source containing and recommending nonfree software to linux-api-headers[aarch64-linux-gnu-linux-api-headers][riscv64-linux-gnu-linux-api-headers]: has source containing and recommending nonfree software

#9 - 2023-11-06 01:15 PM - myself600

- File usr-mainline.md5 added

- File usr-libre.md5 added

#10 - 2023-11-06 01:20 PM - myself600

Comparing Linux 6.6 mainline and libre kernel, make produces a checksum identical output. This bug report is not valid.

#11 - 2023-11-06 04:27 PM - bill-auger

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no one claimed that it was invalid - it is the blacklist reference; so it should contain valid information - the problem is that this one is very incomplete - it gives no useful information - a better single word would be "useless" or "uninformative" or "unhelpful"

nothing in this ticket explains what the precise problem is or was, or how to know if the problem still exists -

if those files were different, that still indicates nothing useful - why are they different? - are they different enough, or should they be more different? - if that question can not be answered, then this BR is useless and there is no justification for those packages being on the blacklist

OTOH, if the files are identical, then the only new information that adds, is that linux-libre does not modify those files - so the question becomes "why are those files identical?" - but whether they are identical or different, that is not important - they could be identically libre or identically non-free

still, the only important question remains unanswered: "how could we know which files should be different and which should be the same?"

Files

usr-libre.md5	57.2 KB	2023-11-06	myself600
usr-mainline.md5	57.2 KB	2023-11-06	myself600