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## Linux kernel: Uhhuh. NMI received for unknown reason 30

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Q. I've upgrade my CentOS / RHEL (Red Hat Enterprise Linux) 4.7 on HP ProLiant DL580 G5 and it is showing unknown NMI errors in the logs:

Uhhuh. NMI received for unknown reason 30.

Dazed and confused, but trying to continue

Do you have a strange power saving mode enabled?

Uhhuh. NMI received for unknown reason 20.

Dazed and confused, but trying to continue

Do you have a strange power saving mode enabled?



How do I fix this error?

A. This is caused when the system is hanging under load. Add any one of the following to you /boot/grub.conf file:

- 1. Disable the NMI watchdog by adding "nmi\_watchdog=0"
- 2. Disable the high precision event timer (HPET) by adding "nohpet"

## Open grub.conf, type:

```
vi grub.conf
```

Make modification to kernel line as follows:

```
title Red Hat Enterprise Linux AS (2.6.9-78.0.8.EL)
    root (hd0,0)
    kernel /vmlinuz-2.6.9-78.0.8.EL ro nohpet root=/dev/VolGroup00/LogVol00 nohpet
    initrd /initrd-2.6.9-78.0.8.EL.img
```

Save and close the file. Reboot the server:

# reboot

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