

NAME

avc_add_callback – additional event notification for SELinux userspace object managers

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <selinux/selinux.h>
#include <selinux/avc.h>
```

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int avc_add_callback(int (*callback)(uint32_t event,
                                     security_id_t ssid,
                                     security_id_t tsid,
                                     security_class_t tclass,
                                     access_vector_t perms,
                                     access_vector_t *out_retained),
                    uint32_t events, security_id_t ssid,
                    security_id_t tsid, security_class_t tclass,
                    access_vector_t perms);
```

DESCRIPTION

avc_add_callback() is used to register callback functions on security events. The purpose of this functionality is to allow userspace object managers to take additional action when a policy change, usually a policy reload, causes permissions to be granted or revoked.

events is the bitwise-*or* of security events on which to register the callback; see **SECURITY EVENTS** below.

ssid, *tsid*, *tclass*, and *perms* specify the source and target SID's, target class, and specific permissions that the callback wishes to monitor. The special symbol **SECSID_WILD** may be passed as the *source* or *target* and will cause any SID to match.

callback is the callback function provided by the userspace object manager. The *event* argument indicates the security event which occurred; the remaining arguments are interpreted according to the event as described below. The return value of the callback should be zero on success, -1 on error with *errno* set appropriately (but see **RETURN VALUE** below).

SECURITY EVENTS

In all cases below, *ssid* and/or *tsid* may be set to **SECSID_WILD**, indicating that the change applies to all source and/or target SID's. Unless otherwise indicated, the *out_retained* parameter is unused.

AVC_CALLBACK_GRANT

Previously denied permissions are now granted for *ssid*, *tsid* with respect to *tclass*. *perms* indicates the permissions to grant.

AVC_CALLBACK_TRY_REVOKE

Previously granted permissions are now conditionally revoked for *ssid*, *tsid* with respect to *tclass*. *perms* indicates the permissions to revoke. The callback should set *out_retained* to the subset of *perms* which are retained as migrated permissions. Note that *out_retained* is ignored if the callback returns -1.

AVC_CALLBACK_REVOKE

Previously granted permissions are now unconditionally revoked for *ssid*, *tsid* with respect to *tclass*. *perms* indicates the permissions to revoke.

AVC_CALLBACK_RESET

Indicates that the cache was flushed. The SID, class, and permission arguments are unused and are set to NULL.

AVC_CALLBACK_AUDITALLOW_ENABLE

The permissions given by *perms* should now be audited when granted for *ssid*, *tsid* with respect to *tclass*.

AVC_CALLBACK_AUDITALLOW_DISABLE

The permissions given by *perms* should no longer be audited when granted for *ssid*, *tsid* with respect to *tclass*.

AVC_CALLBACK_AUDITDENY_ENABLE

The permissions given by *perms* should now be audited when denied for *ssid*, *tsid* with respect to *tclass*.

AVC_CALLBACK_AUDITDENY_DISABLE

The permissions given by *perms* should no longer be audited when denied for *ssid*, *tsid* with respect to *tclass*.

RETURN VALUE

On success, **avc_add_callback()** returns zero. On error, `-1` is returned and *errno* is set appropriately.

A return value of `-1` from a callback is interpreted as a failed policy operation. If such a return value is encountered, all remaining callbacks registered on the event are called. In threaded mode, the netlink handler thread may then terminate and cause the userspace AVC to return **EINVAL** on all further permission checks until **avc_destroy(3)** is called. In non-threaded mode, the permission check on which the error occurred will return `-1` and the value of *errno* encountered to the caller. In both cases, a log message is produced and the kernel may be notified of the error.

ERRORS**ENOMEM**

An attempt to allocate memory failed.

NOTES

If the userspace AVC is running in threaded mode, callbacks registered via **avc_add_callback()** may be executed in the context of the netlink handler thread. This will likely introduce synchronization issues requiring the use of locks. See **avc_init(3)**.

Support for dynamic revocation and retained permissions is mostly unimplemented in the SELinux kernel module. The only security event that currently gets exercised is **AVC_CALLBACK_RESET**.

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SEE ALSO

avc_init(3), **avc_has_perm(3)**, **avc_context_to_sid(3)**, **avc_cache_stats(3)**, **security_compute_av(3)**
selinux(8)