

Re: Rejecting viruses the Right Way[tm]

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On Thu, Feb 12, 2004 at 10:18:32PM -0800, Karsten M. Self wrote:

- > > *If a message is either rejected (during the SMTP dialog) or bounced*
- > > *(after accepting and queueing the message) then the same innocent*
- > > *third party receives some junk mail.[1] The difference is only in*
- > > *which server is sending the bounce message.*
- >
- > *Not so.*
- >
- > *Few viral SMTP servers will generate and forward a bounce.*
- >
- > *SMTP servers holding an open connection with the originating MUA (or the*
- > *virus itself) will pass the reject message to the originating client.*
- >
- > *Only misconfigured smarthosts will generate a spurious bounce.*

Which is what I was counting on, more or less, when I came up with the exim/clamav sollution.

.". Paul Johnson <baloo@ursine.ca>

:'':

`.'` proud Debian admin and user

`- Debian - when you have better things to do than fix a system

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