Subject: Re: New URLs

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Sigh....

It appears that my ability to keep a stable mirror going for multiple years is lacking. Long story short, my hosting account has become hostile to software distribution mirrors. Their virus scanner has started attacking packages that have been hosted and stable for years. I am getting multiple false virus reports every day now.

They have started using their vague Terms of Service and Acceptable Usage Policy to dodge the fact that their virus scanner has clearly gone haywire. I do not think this is going to end well. "You are sharing these files, and file sharing is not allowed, so therefore the virus scanner is doing its job correctly." I cannot follow that kind of logic, but they have the lawyers and the servers, so I just need to move my business elsewhere.

I guess the time has come to shut this mirror down. Maybe I can re-open an new one somewhere else. If I am able to find an opportunity to work with, I will post here. Otherwise, the following mirror links will be going away in the near future, I am very sad to say:

https://beauxbead.com/freeslackmirror/fxp/freeslack64-14.2/

https://freenix.3space.xyz/fxp/freeslack64-14.2/

https://3space.xyz/freenix/fxp/freeslack64-14.2/

I recommend switching to one of these ASAP if you have not done so already:

https://freenix.net/fxp/freeslack64-14.2/

https://slackware.uk/freeslack/fxp/freeslack64-14.2/

https://mirror.linux.pizza/freenix/freeslack64-14.2/

The virus scanner has not attacked the installer DVD ISO image yet, so I will leave that in place for the time being. It still serves as a webseed for most of the torrents I have created, actually. If/when that file comes under attack, I might have to remove it as well.

In the meantime, I have uploaded the standalone website, all the files needed to re-host the standalone website, and the DVD ISO files, all to the Internet Archive:

https://archive.org/details/@freenix

I hope this is in alignment with our standards and principles. I am not aware of any conflicts. This

buys us a lot for free. The standalone site will live on as long as the Archive does:

https://web.archive.org/web/20200417214812/http://freenix.3space.xyz/

You can grab the files needed to rehost the site on any server:

https://archive.org/download/Freenix_standalone_site_files/site_files.tar.gz

The ISO is hosted there too:

https://archive.org/details/freenix64-14.2-install-dvd

Which also gives us a fresh torrent with a fresh (fast, reliable) webseed:

https://archive.org/download/freenix64-14.2-install-dvd/freenix64-14.2-install-dvd_archive.torrent

Maybe when 15.0 comes out, I can re-invest in a decent server. For now though, consider beauxbead/3space/freeslack.space dead. The webfront at https://freenix.3space.xyz/ should stay up for the remainder of 2020 at least. And the ISO file might stick around for a while too. The mirror links for use with slackpkg though, those are now officially dead. Even if you get them to work, the file set is incomplete (quarantined), so expect errors in grabbing specific packages. Right now the list is only about 5 or so, but expect more as their virus scanner continues to mutate.

Thanks, and sorry....

File Attachments

1) freenix64-14.2-install-dvd_archive.torrent, downloaded 429 times