

President Barack Obama said Tuesday the United States lost "our moral bearings" with gruesome terror-suspect interrogations and **left the door open to prosecuting Bush administration officials** who vouched for their legality.

At the same time, Obama said the question of whether to bring charges "is going to be more of a decision for the attorney general within the parameters of various laws and I don't want to prejudge that." The president discussed the continuing issue of terrorism-era interrogation tactics with reporters as he finished an Oval Office meeting with visiting King Abdullah of Jordan.

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