

U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder ruled out the use of "waterboarding" as an interrogation technique for terrorism suspects on Monday, calling it a form of torture that the Obama administration could never condone.

"Waterboarding is torture ... My Justice Department will not justify it, will not rationalize it and will not condone it," Holder, who is heading a review of the treatment of terrorism suspects, said in a speech to the Jewish Council of Public Affairs in Washington.

"Too often over the past decade the fight against terrorism has been viewed as a zero-sum battle with our tradition of civil liberties. Not only is that school of thought misguided, I fear that in actuality it has done us more harm than good," Holder said.

TVNL Comment: Waterboarding is a red herring. Much harsher interrogation methods were used. Actually, the word is "torture."

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