

# Obama admits drone strikes in Pakistan as US drone strikes Yemen

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For the first time, the United States has confirmed that it is undertaking drone strikes in Pakistan.

Many may feel that this has long been an open secret as unnamed officials regularly take to the press about CIA drone strikes. However the admission by President Obama during a 'Google online hangout' will no doubt have legal and political implications. In september 2011 [a Federal Judge dismissed an ACLU lawsuit seeking information about CIA drone strikes](#) in Pakistan as the CIA would not confirm or deny the drone strikes took place.

Meanwhile [a US drone strike killed between 12 and 15 people in Yemen overnight according to Reuters](#)

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