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"No. I don't use the term," Obama said.

"We want to show respect for the Pakistanis."

"APak" is a backronym for "Afghan-Pakistan," a term used by many in Washington to describe the two countries together. The term has been used by U.S. officials and members of Congress to describe the relationship between the two countries.

"APak" has been criticized by many Pakistanis as being disrespectful and insensitive.

"This is a very sensitive issue," said a Pakistani official.

"We are deeply hurt by the use of the term."

The Pakistani government has called for the term to be abandoned.

"We are working to find a more appropriate term," said a Pakistani official.

"We will consult with our partners in the United States to find a solution."