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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Bondi Orders Grand Jury to Probe Obama Admin.]

NATE BURLESON: Alright, on the campaign trail, President Trump promised he'd go after those who have investigated him. Now, his Attorney General Pam Bondi has ordered a new grand jury probe. She wants to look into the Obama administration's investigation into Russia's interference in the 2016 election. Weijia Jiang is at the White House. Weijia, good morning.

WEIJIA JIANG: Nate, good morning to you. Good morning to everybody. A source familiar with Attorney General Pam Bondi's efforts tells CBS News she has directed Justice Department staff to begin legal proceedings and ordered a federal prosecutor to present evidence to a grand jury, which could consider an indictment if the DOJ pursues a criminal case. It's unclear what the charges could be and who would face them, but we know President Trump without evidence has accused former President Obama of treason, leading an effort to link Trump to Russia and undermine his 2016 presidential campaign. This comes after Director of National Intelligence Tulsi Gabbard made a criminal referral to the DOJ last month, saying there was express intent to create a fake, manufactured intelligence document and evidence that "can only be described as a years-long coup and treasonous conspiracy against the American people." Democrats dispute her claims, pointing to the findings of a bipartisan Senate investigation that was co-chaired by now-Secretary of State Marco Rubio that concluded that Russia had attempted to influence the 2016 election. Obama has not commented on Bondi's investigation, but last month, a spokesman for him called Gabbard's allegations "bizarre" and "ridiculous," Gayle.

GAYLE KING: Alright, Weijia, thank you very much.