

Thursday, April 27

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2005:** The world's largest passenger plane, the Airbus A380, seen here arriving in Sydney, made its maiden flight from Toulouse

1521: Portuguese navigator Ferdinand Magellan was killed by natives in the Philippines

1828: The London Zoological Gardens in Regent's Park opened

1997: The 2.2km-long Tsing Ma bridge in Hong Kong, the world's longest suspension bridge carrying both road and rail traffic, was opened

2004: Thabo Mbeki was inaugurated for his second term as president of South Africa