Wednesday, May 17

ON THIS DAY



▲ 2005: To the horror of diehard fans, U.S. tycoon Malcolm Glazer successfully acquired 75 percent of shares in Manchester Utd, enabling him to take full control of the club

1814: Norway adopted a new constitution and declared its independence from Sweden

1954: Racial segregation in the state school system was outlawed in the United States

1997: Rebel leader Laurent Kabila declared himself head of state in Zaire

2005: Antonio Villaraigosa was elected mayor of Los Angeles, the city's first Latino mayor since 1872