

Wednesday, May 31

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2005:** Dominique de Villepin was appointed prime minister of France in place of Jean-Pierre Raffarin, sacked after voters roundly rejected the call to ratify the EU constitution

1902: The Treaty of Vereeniging was signed in Pretoria, bringing an end to the Boer War

1927: The last Model T Ford, number 15,007,003, rolled off the production line

2005: Former FBI deputy head Mark Felt, 91, revealed that he was “Deep Throat”, the source who assisted reporters Woodward and Bernstein to unravel the 1972 Watergate scandal