

Thursday, June 5

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2006: Serbia formally declared its independence in response to Montenegro's vote for secession**

1898: Spanish poet and playwright Federico Garcia Lorca, a key figure in modern Spanish literature, was born

1953: Denmark's new constitution took effect, under which Greenland and the Faroes became integral parts of Denmark

1988: Kay Cottee sailed into Sydney Harbour to become the first woman to circle the globe alone

2007: The Basque separatist group ETA announced it was ending its 15-month ceasefire

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