

Saturday, June 14

## ON THIS DAY



▲ 2006: Coalition forces launched *Operation Mountain Thrust* to drive Taliban forces out of the southern provinces of Afghanistan

1846: Settlers proclaimed the free republic of California

1966: The Vatican announced the abolition of the Index of prohibited books

1982: Argentine forces surrendered at Port Stanley, ending the Falklands War

2007: The Palestinian Authority was violently split as Hamas seized control of the Gaza Strip following days of fighting with Fatah that left over 100 people dead

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