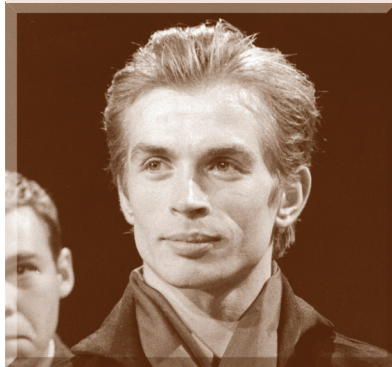


Monday, June 16

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1961: Russian dancer Rudolf Nureyev requested political asylum in the West while visiting Paris with the Kirov Ballet**

1952: A Swedish plane searching for a lost aircraft was shot down by Soviet fighters over Swedish territorial waters

1958: Britain introduced a system of marking yellow lines at the sides of roads to indicate no-parking zones

1979: General Ignatius Acheampong, military ruler of Ghana from 1972-78, was executed for corruption

2005: Donald Tsang was officially declared the new chief executive of Hong Kong

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