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ON THIS DAY



▲ 2007: Russian explorers planted a flag on the seabed at the North Pole to stake Moscow's claim to oil, gas and mineral riches under the seabed

1754: Pierre Charles L'Enfant, French engineer who designed the city layout of Washington DC, was born

1921: Italian operatic tenor Enrico Caruso died in Naples at age 48

2002: The Angolan government and UNITA rebels declared an official end to the civil war that began in 1975

2007: A man who crashed an explosives-laden Jeep into Glasgow airport in the UK in June died in hospital from his injuries