Friday, August 8

ON THIS DAY



▲ 2007: The Yangtze river dolphin (pictured above in 2001), one of the most endangered species on the planet, was declared officially extinct

1900: The first Davis Cup tennis competition began; it was won by the United States two days later

1967: The Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) was signed into being in Bangkok

2007: Two fossils found in Kenya challenged views of human evolution by showing that Homo erectus and Homo habilis lived side by side in eastern Africa for half a million years, rather than evolving one after the other