

***Tuesday, August 19***

# ***ON THIS DAY***



▲ **2003:** Sergio Vieira de Mello, UN special representative in Iraq, was among 22 people killed when a huge suicide truck bomb ripped through the UN headquarters in Baghdad

**1808:** Scottish engineer James Nasmyth, inventor of the steam hammer, was born

**1904:** More than 40,000 people died from cholera in Iran

**1973:** George Papadopoulos was sworn in as president of Greece as the monarchy came to an end

**1991:** Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev was briefly overthrown in a coup by Communist hardliners