

Sunday, October 12

ON THIS DAY



▲ 1901: The U.S. presidential residence was formally renamed the White House

1492: Christopher Columbus made his first landfall in the New World, in the present-day Bahamas

1849: British inventor Charles Rowley patented the safety pin

1968: Equatorial Guinea became independent after 190 years of Spanish rule

2007: Russian President Vladimir Putin threatened to renounce the Cold War-era INF Treaty if the United States was not prepared to abandon a proposed European missile shield