

Sunday, October 19

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1987: Wall Street stocks plunged a record 22.6% on “Black Monday”, worse even than the crash of 1929 which heralded the Great Depression**

1856: The first efficient working prototype of the internal combustion engine was produced in Florence, Italy

1935: The League of Nations imposed sanctions against Italy following its invasion of Ethiopia

1986: President Samora Machel of Mozambique and 30 of his staff were killed in a plane crash near South Africa

2006: The United States adopted a tough new policy rejecting any proposals to ban space weapons