

**Monday, November 17**

# *ON THIS DAY*



▲ **2006:** Hungarian footballer Ferenc Puskas, widely regarded as soccer's first international superstar, died in Budapest, aged 79

**1796:** Catherine the Great, German-born empress of Russia, died

**1800:** The U.S. Congress first met in the new capital city of Washington

**1972:** Former Argentine president Juan Peron returned to Buenos Aires after 17 years in exile

**2007:** Hashim Thaci, a former rebel leader who promised to declare Kosovo's independence from Serbia, won the parliamentary election in the breakaway province