## Saturday, November 29

## ON THIS DAY



▲ 2007: Sam Nujoma, the founding father of Namibia, stepped down as president of the ruling Swapo party after 47 years at the helm

**1516:** Italian Renaissance painter Giovanni Bellini, who made Venice a centre of art to rival Florence, died

1890: The first Imperial Diet was opened in Japan

**1947:** The UN General Assembly voted to partition Palestine into Jewish and Arab land

2007: Philippine armed forces stormed a hotel in Manila which had been seized by rebel troops seeking to oust President Gloria Arroyo