

Monday, December 1

ON THIS DAY



▲ 1959: Twelve nations signed the Antarctic Treaty, preserving the region for peaceful purposes and scientific research

1821: The Dominican Republic, comprising the eastern two-thirds of the Caribbean island of Hispaniola, declared independence from Spain

1997: Delegates at the global warming summit in Kyoto, Japan, considered ways to limit emissions of greenhouse gases

2006: Typhoon Durian killed 1,400 people in the Philippines when mudslides caused by heavy rains buried several villages