

Monday, April 6

ON THIS DAY



▲ 1896: The first Olympic Games of the modern era were inaugurated in Athens, Greece

1580: An earthquake badly damaged St Paul's Cathedral and other churches in London

1789: George Washington was unanimously elected first president of the United States

1971: Russian-born composer Igor Stravinsky died in New York

2007: A UN climate change report warned of the potential extinction of up to 30 percent of the world's species if emissions of greenhouse gases continued at present levels