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ON THIS DAY



▲ **2008:** A series of nine bomb blasts hit the Indian city of Jaipur, killing over 60 people and injuring 200

1830: The Republic of Ecuador was founded with Juan Jose Flores as its first president

1888: Brazil's parliament decided to abolish slavery

1949: The first British-produced jet bomber, the Canberra, made its first test flight

2008: Lucian Freud's portrait of a sleeping, naked woman, *Benefits Supervisor Sleeping*, sold for \$33.6m at Christie's in New York, a world record for a work by a living artist