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ON THIS DAY



▲ 2008: Myanmar's military junta finally agreed to grant access to areas worst hit by Cyclone Nargis to international aid workers regardless of nationality

1707: Swedish botanist Carl Linnaeus, founder of modern taxonomy, was born

1795: Troops in Paris put down an uprising caused by bread shortages

1915: Italy abandoned its neutrality and declared war on Austria-Hungary

2008: The International Court of Justice awarded sovereignty of Pedra Branca to Singapore, ending a 28-year dispute over the islet between Singapore and Malaysia