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ON THIS DAY



▲ **2008: NASA's Phoenix Lander touched down near the north pole of Mars on a mission to discover whether the region could once have supported primitive life**

1787: The Philadelphia Convention met to draw up the U.S. constitution

1810: A revolution against Spain began in Rio de la Plata, later renamed Argentina

1989: Mikhail Gorbachev was elected president of the Soviet Union

2008: Lebanon's parliament elected army commander General Michel Suleiman as president, ending a six-month deadlock