Wednesday, August 5

ON THIS DAY



▲ 1960: Upper Volta, now renamed Burkina Faso, gained independence from France

1914: The world's first electric traffic lights were installed in Cleveland. Ohio

1930: U.S. astronaut Neil Armstrong, the first man to walk on the Moon, was born

1974: U.S. President Richard Nixon admitted he had withheld information about the Watergate break-in

2007: The death toll from flooding in South Asia neared 1,100 in India with 200 further fatalities in Bangladesh and Nepal. Over 20 million people had been displaced by the floods