Monday, August 31

ON THIS DAY



▲ 1997: Diana, Princess of Wales was killed in a car crash in Paris

12AD: Roman emperor Caligula, notorious for his brutality and his debauched lifestyle, was born

1821: German scientist Herman von Helmholtz, inventor of the opthalmoscope, was born

1994: Troops of the former Soviet Union ended half a century of military presence on German soil

2008: New Orleans mayor Ray Nagin ordered the mandatory evacuation of the city ahead of Hurricane Gustav. The storm had already caused 95

deaths across the Caribbean

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