

Sunday, October 11

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2008: Controversial Austrian politician Joerg Haider was killed in a car crash near Klagenfurt; he had been drinking heavily and was driving at twice the speed limit**

1689: Peter the Great became Tsar of Russia

1919: The first airline meals were served on a flight from London to Paris, costing three shillings

1976: China's "Gang of Four", including Mao Zedong's widow Jiang Qing, were arrested in Beijing

2008: The U.S. State Department removed North Korea from its list of sponsors of terrorism