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ON THIS DAY



▲ **2008:** The UN asked for 3,000 extra troops to protect civilians from violence perpetrated by rebel groups and the Congolese army in the eastern Dem. Rep. of Congo

1866: Chinese nationalist leader Sun Yat-sen was born

1927: Josef Stalin became undisputed ruler of the Soviet Union

1988: West Indies cricket captain Viv Richards scored his 100th century at a match in Sydney, Australia

2008: The EU scrapped rules banning bent bananas and curved cucumbers, which had attracted international ridicule