

**Monday, December 7**

# ON THIS DAY



▲ **1911: The Chinese issued an edict abolishing pigtails**

**43BC:** Roman orator and statesman Marcus Tullius Cicero was executed for a series of attacks on Mark Anthony

**1975: The Indonesian army swept into East Timor as civil war erupted following the end of Portuguese rule**

**1996:** President Liamine Zeroual of Algeria signed into law constitutional reforms which banned political parties based on religion or language

**2008: Rioters rampaged through central Athens and other Greek cities after a 15-year-old boy was shot dead by police**