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ON THIS DAY



▲ 2009: Former Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori was jailed for 25 years after being convicted of human rights violations in the 1990s

1831: Pedro I of Brazil abdicated in favour of his son, Pedro II, so that he could return to Portugal

1920: Indian musician Ravi Shankar, credited with introducing the sitar to the West, was born. He is 90 today

1963: The Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia was set up with Marshall Tito as its president for life

2001: NASA launched the Mars Odyssey spacecraft on a geological survey to the red planet