

Wednesday, April 21

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1960: Brasilia was inaugurated as the new capital city of Brazil**

1918: German First World War flying ace Baron von Richthofen, nicknamed the Red Baron, was killed in action over France

1967: A military coup in Athens, Greece, established the regime of the “Colonels”

1971: Francois “Papa Doc” Duvalier, tyrannical dictator of Haiti who created the feared Tonton Macoute militia, died

2009: Sri Lanka’s government gave the Tamil Tigers a 24-hour deadline to surrender or face a final assault to end Asia’s longest-running civil war