

Friday, May 14

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2009: Burmese opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi was charged with breaching her detention conditions after an uninvited visit by a U.S. man who swam across a lake to her home**

1796: British physician Edward Jenner gave the first successful vaccination against smallpox

1948: David Ben-Gurion signed the state of Israel into being

1955: The Warsaw Pact was signed by the Soviet Union and seven other communist states in eastern Europe

2008: The U.S. listed the polar bear as a threatened species due to declining ice levels in the Arctic