

Tuesday, June 1

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2009: Air France Flight 447 from Rio de Janeiro to Paris plunged into the Atlantic Ocean 1,000km north of Brazil, killing all 228 people on board**

1888: The first three seismographs were installed at the Lick Observatory in California

1973: British Honduras changed its name to Belize

1996: Ukraine became a nuclear weapons-free nation with the transfer of the last of its warheads to Russia

2009: General Motors, which for most of its 100-year existence had been the world's largest automaker, filed for bankruptcy protection