

Monday, July 5

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2009: Riots in China's restive Xinjiang region left 156 people dead in some of the deadliest ethnic unrest to hit the country in decades**

1811: Venezuela became the first Spanish colony in the Americas to declare its independence from Spain

1965: Maria Callas gave her last stage performance, singing *Tosca* at London's Covent Garden

1994: Yasser Arafat returned to the West Bank after 27 years in exile

2009: Roger Federer beat Andy Roddick in five dramatic sets to win his sixth Wimbledon championship and a record 15th major title