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ON THIS DAY



▲ **2008:** Two Russian manned mini submarines set a new record by descending 1,680m to the bottom of Lake Baikal, the world's deepest lake

1890: Artist Vincent van Gogh died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound

1937: Japanese forces took Tientsin in the continuing conflict between Japan and China

1994: Pioneering British chemist Dorothy Hodgkin died, aged 84

2009: Venezuela froze diplomatic ties with Colombia, after Bogota said Swedish weapons sold to Venezuela in the 1980s were allegedly found on Colombian FARC rebels