Wednesday, August 4

ON THIS DAY



▲ 2009: Former U.S. President Bill Clinton visited Pyongyang to secure the freedom of two U.S. journalists, Laura Ling and Euna Lee, who had been sentenced to 12 years hard labour for illegally entering N. Korea

1060: King Henry I of France died; he

was succeeded by Philip I

1940: Italy invaded British Somaliland and also occupied some towns in Sudan and Kenya

1983: Bettino Craxi was sworn in as Italy's first Socialist prime minister

1990: Iraqi troops violated the "neutral zone" near the border with Kuwait