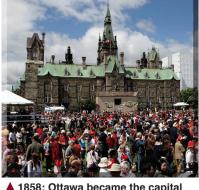
Saturday, August 7

ON THIS DAY



▲ 1858: Ottawa became the capital city of the new Dominion of Canada

1485: Henry Tudor landed in Wales at the start of his successful bid to seize the English throne

1947: Thor Heyerdahl's raft *Kon Tiki* reached Polynesia 101 days after leaving Peru

1990: The ANC suspended its 29-year guerilla campaign against white rule, paving the way for talks with the South African government

2009: Shootouts left at least 11 dead following a running battle between police and gunmen in the central Mexican city of Pachuca