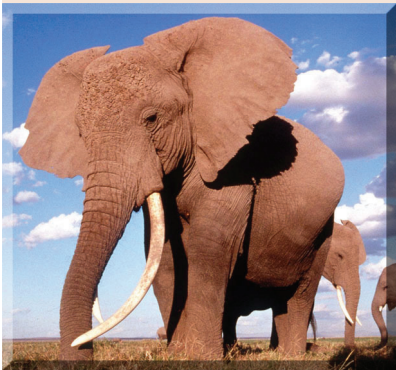


**Tuesday, August 24**

# *ON THIS DAY*



▲ **2001: Africa's forest and savanna elephants were revealed to be two different species, raising to three the number of living elephant species**

**1572:** Thousands of French Protestant Huguenots were slaughtered in Paris in the St Bartholomew's Day Massacre

**1954: The Communist Party was outlawed in the United States**

**1990:** Irish hostage Brian Keenan was freed by his captors in west Beirut after 52 months in captivity

**2009: A coroner's report revealed that singer Michael Jackson died from a lethal dose of the anaesthetic propofol, given in a cocktail of drugs**