

Thursday, November 4

ON THIS DAY



▲ 2008: Barack Obama became the first African-American to be elected President of the United States

1862: The first rapid-fire machine gun was patented by Richard Gatling in Indianapolis; it was named after him

1950: The United Nations signed the European Convention on Human Rights

1995: Israeli prime minister Yitzhak Rabin was assassinated by a Jewish extremist in Tel Aviv

2009: Yemen's civil war spilled into neighbouring Saudi Arabia when Houthi rebels killed two Saudi officers in a cross-border attack