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ON THIS DAY



▲ **2010: British fashion designer Alexander McQueen was found hanged at his London home**

1861: Explorers Burke and Wills reached the Gulf of Carpentaria in north-eastern Australia

1979: Iranian prime minister Dr Shahpur Bakhtiar resigned after two days of fighting in Tehran

1990: Nelson Mandela, South Africa's black nationalist leader, was released from prison after serving 27 years

2010: A court in Beijing rejected an appeal by prominent Chinese dissident Liu Xiaobo against his 11-year jail term for subversion