

***Tuesday, March 8***

# ***ON THIS DAY***



**▲ 1965: The first U.S. combat troops arrived in Vietnam to defend the American air base at Da Nang**

**1702: King William III of England died at Hampton Court Palace after falling from his horse**

**1858: Italian composer Ruggiero Leoncavallo was born in Naples**

**1989: Martial law was imposed in Lhasa and surrounding areas following three days of demonstrations protesting Chinese rule of Tibet**

**2010: The French Navy, backed by EU aircraft, captured 35 suspected pirates from four mother ships and six smaller boats off Somalia**