

Sunday, March 13

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2010:** He Pingping, 21, the world's shortest man at 74.6cm (2ft 5in) tall, died from heart failure. *Above, with the world's tallest man, 246cm (8ft 1in)*

1881: Tsar Alexander II of Russia was assassinated when a bomb was thrown at his carriage

1974: Charles de Gaulle airport was inaugurated in Paris

1978: Moluccan terrorists held 72 people hostage for 29 hours in government buildings in Assen, Holland

2002: The UN Security Council passed a resolution that for the first time called for a separate Palestinian state alongside Israel