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ON THIS DAY



▲ **2008: Cyclone Nargis slammed into Myanmar's Irrawaddy delta, causing catastrophic destruction and killing some 146,000 people**

1729: Catherine the Great, Empress of Russia, was born

1965: *Early Bird*, the first communications satellite for relaying TV pictures went into operation

1992: The Yugoslav Army seized Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic after fierce fighting in Sarajevo

2010: The EU and IMF agreed a bailout package for Greece to provide approximately €120 billion to end its sovereign debt crisis