

Sunday, May 22

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1927: Whipsnade Zoo, the world's first "open plan" zoo, opened in Bedfordshire, England**

1908: American aviation pioneers Wilbur and Orville Wright patented their flying machine

1972: Richard Nixon became the first U.S. President to visit the Soviet Union

1990: Former Marxist South Yemen and conservative North Yemen merged into one state

2010: An Air India flight from Dubai to Mangalore crashed while coming in to land, killing all but eight of the 166 passengers and crew on board