



Today in History

November 1, 1512

▲ Michelangelo's monumental painted ceiling in the Sistine Chapel in Rome, showing man's progression to divine grace, was unveiled

1952: The United States detonated the first hydrogen bomb, 500 times more powerful than the Nagasaki bomb

1984: Rajiv Gandhi was sworn in as Indian prime minister following the assassination of Indira Gandhi

1993: The Maastricht Treaty came into effect, creating a new European Union

2005: News broke about "extraordinary rendition", a policy in which captives were flown to covert prisons in eastern Europe for interrogation by CIA agents