



Today in History

July 10, 1992

▲ **Manuel Noriega, former dictator of Panama, was sentenced to 40 years in jail in the U.S. for allowing his country to be used for drug smuggling**

1099: Spanish warrior El Cid, who besieged and captured Valencia, died

1985: A crew member died when the Greenpeace ship Rainbow Warrior was blown up and sunk by French agents in Auckland harbour

2000: Bashar al-Assad, son of the late president Hafez al-Assad, was confirmed as president of Syria

2009: U.S. automaker General Motors emerged from bankruptcy protection after 40 days under court supervision