

A photograph of Manuel Noriega, a former Panamanian military dictator, wearing a red sweater and pointing his right index finger towards the camera. He is standing in front of a display of military uniforms, including a blue one with a lanyard and a dark one with a beret. The background is slightly blurred.

Today in History

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▲ Panama's former military dictator Manuel Noriega was extradited from France to Panama to serve 20 years in prison for the murder of political opponents

1769: The Venetian blind was patented in London by Edward Beran

1946: UNICEF was set up to provide relief to children in countries devastated by war

1981: Muhammad Ali fought his last professional fight, losing to Jamaica's Trevor Berbick

2000: A Melbourne law firm started legal action against major airlines failing to warn of the risk of blood clots with long-distance air travel