



## Today in History

*January 7, 2012*

▲ **Fiji's military rulers lifted the state of martial law that had been in place since 2009, and promised a return to democratic elections within two years**

**1558:** French forces recaptured Calais from English rule

**1895:** Korea proclaimed its independence from China

**1927:** The Harlem Globetrotters basketball team, famous for its on court clowning, was founded

**2003:** Following the Coptic Christian calendar, Christmas was celebrated as a national holiday in Egypt, an almost wholly Muslim country, for the first time