



Today in History

May 19, 1588

▲ **The Spanish Armada, then the largest fleet ever assembled, set sail from Lisbon on an ill-fated attempt to invade England and overthrow Queen Elizabeth I**

1643: Connecticut, Plymouth and New Haven formed the Confederation of New England during the Indian wars

1988: Sikh rebels holding out in the Golden Temple in Amritsar, India, surrendered to government forces

1994: Malawi's President Hastings Banda was ousted from power after over 30 years of iron-fisted rule

2008: The European Commission granted the first vaccine licence to prepare for a H5N1 bird flu pandemic