

A close-up portrait of Alejandro Toledo, a man with dark, wavy hair, smiling broadly and showing his teeth. He is wearing a dark suit jacket over a white shirt. His right hand is raised, with his index finger pointing towards the camera. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

## Today in History

*June 3, 2001*

▲ **Alejandro Toledo was elected president of Peru, the first indigenous South American president to be democratically elected in 500 years**

**1769:** Captain Cook, a year into his circumnavigation of the world, observed the transit of Venus across the Sun, the main purpose of his voyage

**1964:** The Rolling Stones began their first American tour

**1973:** A Soviet Tupolev 144 supersonic airliner crashed at the Paris Air Show, killing 15 people

**1992:** The largest ever environmental summit opened in Rio de Janeiro, with 178 nations taking part