

An architectural rendering of five tall, futuristic skyscrapers in Dubai. Each building has a unique, twisting, and undulating facade that changes its profile as it rises. They are set against a clear blue sky with a hint of sunset or sunrise. In the foreground, there's a road with cars and some greenery.

Today in History

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▲ **Plans were unveiled for the world's first swirling skyscraper in Dubai, with each floor rotating once an hour to form an ever-changing profile on the skyline**

1953: Jacqueline Bouvier announced her engagement to rising U.S. senator John F. Kennedy

1983: President Hafez al-Assad ordered Yasser Arafat to leave Syria

1989: Zhao Ziyang was replaced as General Secretary of the Communist Party in China – his having expressed sympathy with pro-democracy students

2010: Julia Gillard was sworn in as Australia's first female prime minister after a snap leadership vote