

A close-up photograph of Cristina Kirchner, President of Argentina, smiling and speaking into a microphone. She has long, wavy brown hair and is wearing a dark jacket. The background is dark and out of focus.

Today in History

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▲ **Cristina Kirchner was re-elected as President of Argentina in a landslide victory, making her the first woman in Latin American history to retain the job**

1958: Russian author Boris Pasternak was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature for his novel *Doctor Zhivago*

1983: Suicide bombings killed 241 U.S. marines and 58 French paratroopers in Beirut, Lebanon

1995: Professor Stephen Westaby, of Oxford's John Radcliffe Hospital, made the first implant of an artificial heart

2002: Chechen rebels seized over 700 hostages at a Moscow theatre, threatening to blow up the building