

# WORLD AGENDA

NOVEMBER 2013

**1** Nov 1, Damascus: UN deadline for the destruction of Syria's chemical weapons production following a sarin gas attack that killed hundreds in August. The country's 1,000 tonnes of chemical agents are to be scrapped by June 2014

**2** Nov 12, The Hague: Kenyan president **Uhuru Kenyatta** goes on trial for crimes against humanity at the ICC, after post-election violence killed 1,200 in 2007. It is the first ever case against a sitting president

**4** Nov 17, Santiago: Voters in Chile go to the polls in an election likely to see former President **Michelle Bachelet** return to power. Bachelet, who was president from 2006-10, is widely regarded as one of Chile's most popular politicians

**6** Nov 22, U.S.: 50 years after the assassination of President **John F. Kennedy**, conspiracy theories surrounding his death refuse to go away

**5** Nov 24, Tegucigalpa: Drug violence, which last year turned Honduras into the world's most murderous country, is the central issue in presidential elections. **Xiomara Castro**, wife of former president **Manuel Zelaya**, leads in polls

**7** Nov 19-21, Kabul: A Loya Jirga, a meeting of 3,000 tribal elders and other prominent people, meets to agree the future role of U.S. troops in Afghanistan after 2014. Most combat troops are to be withdrawn next year

**3** Nov 5, Ankara: The EU is to restart membership talks with Turkey after a three-year hiatus. Talks were postponed after the crackdown on anti-government protests earlier this year but members have praised recent announcements of judicial and political reforms

**8** Nov 9-10, Los Angeles: X-rays and doctor's notes on **Marilyn Monroe**, indicating the Hollywood sex symbol had plastic surgery, are expected to fetch up to \$30,000 at auction. They are dated June 7, 1962, two months before the actress died, aged 36, from a barbiturates overdose