



## Today in History

*January 26, 1905*

▲ The Cullinan diamond, the world's largest at 3,106 carats, was mined in South Africa. Two of the nine large gem-quality stones cut from it are pictured above

**1500:** Spain made landfall in Brazil but was unable to claim it due to a treaty between Spain and Portugal dividing the New World along geographical lines

**1904:** A fire at the National Library in Turin, founded in 1720, destroyed thousands of books and manuscripts

**1994:** Romania signed a partnership document with NATO

**2009:** Iceland's coalition government collapsed in the wake of the country's deep financial crisis