



## Today in History

*February 3, 2004*

▲ The first passenger train from Darwin to Adelaide completed its inaugural three-day trip, realising a century-old dream to link the north and south of Australia

**1969:** The Palestine National Congress appointed Yasser Arafat head of the Palestine Liberation Organisation

**1989:** John Cassavetes, whose films included *The Dirty Dozen*, died

**1994:** President Clinton lifted the U.S. economic embargo against Vietnam, in effect since the end of the Vietnam War

**2010:** A life-size bronze sculpture by Alberto Giacometti, *L'Homme Qui Marche I*, was auctioned in London for a world record £65m (\$103.7m)