



Today in History

January 12, 1970

▲ The first Boeing 747 arrived at London's Heathrow airport after its proving flight from New York. The first fare-paying flight to Heathrow followed on January 22

1875: Kwang-su ascended the throne as Emperor of China at the age of four

1950: The Soviet Union re-introduced the death penalty for treason, espionage and sabotage

1990: Romania became the first East European state and Warsaw Pact member to outlaw the Communist Party

2010: A magnitude 7.0 earthquake hit the impoverished Caribbean island of Haiti, killing over 220,000 people and making 1.3 million homeless