



Today in History

February 25, 2010

▲ **Viktor Yanukovich was sworn in as president of Ukraine. He was ousted in February 2014 following deadly clashes between protesters and special forces in central Kiev**

1570: Pope Pius V issued a papal bull, *Regnans in Excelsis*, excommunicating Queen Elizabeth I of England, as part of his crusade against Protestantism

1970: Mark Rothko, American Abstract Expressionist painter, died

2005: Shostakovich's *The Bolt*, not performed since it was booed off stage at its premiere in 1931, was revived by Moscow's Bolshoi Ballet

2006: The world's population hit 6.5 billion. It has since passed 7 billion