



Today in History

April 13, 1970

▲ An oxygen tank exploded on board Apollo 13, crippling the spacecraft as it neared the moon. The mission was abandoned but the crew returned safely to Earth

1945: Vienna, the first foreign capital occupied by Hitler, was liberated by the Russians

1953: The CIA launched a clandestine “mind control” program to develop drugs and procedures to be used in interrogations and torture

1960: The United States launched the first satellite navigation system

2010: A huge ice block broke off a glacier in Peru, creating a 23-metre wave that flooded four nearby towns