



Today in History

May 14, 1955

▲ **The Soviet Union and seven other communist states in eastern Europe signed the Warsaw Pact, aimed at establishing a unified military command to rival NATO**

1610: Henry IV of France, the first Bourbon king, was assassinated

1995: The Dalai Lama proclaimed six-year-old Gedhun Choekyi Nyima as the 11th reincarnation of the Panchen Lama, Tibet's second most senior spiritual leader

1995: New Zealand won the America's Cup for the first time

2008: The U.S. listed the polar bear as a threatened species due to declining ice levels in the Arctic