



Today in History

July 17, 2014

▲ All 298 people on board Malaysian Airlines flight MH17 died when it crashed in war-torn eastern Ukraine, likely shot down by a surface-to-air missile

1945: The Potsdam Conference of Allied leaders began

1975: The commanders of Apollo 18 and Soyuz 19 shook hands through the hatches of their spacecraft

1990: Iraq threatened to use force against Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates, to prevent their driving oil prices down by overproduction

2010: A Swedish diver found 30 bottles of champagne dating from the 19th century on a shipwreck