



## Today in History

*October 7, 2009*

▲ A vast new ring was identified around Saturn. At 13 million kilometres from the planet, it was 50 times more distant than the inner rings

**1985:** Palestinian guerrillas seized the Italian ship Achille Lauro, demanding Israel free 50 Palestinian prisoners

**2004:** King Norodom Sihanouk abdicated the throne of Cambodia due to ill health

**2005:** The Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to the IAEA and its head, Egyptian diplomat Mohamed ElBaradei

**2006:** Anna Politkovskaya, Russian journalist fiercely critical of the wars in Chechnya, was shot dead