



Today in History

December 6, 1990

▲ **Iraqi President Saddam Hussein ordered all 3,400 foreign hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait to be freed in a major concession to head off the threat of war**

1768: The first edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica, the oldest English-language encyclopaedia, was published in Scotland in three volumes

1917: Finland's independence was secured after being an autonomous Grand Duchy of Russia since 1809

1947: The Everglades National Park was dedicated in Florida

1992: Germany tightened its asylum laws in an effort to refuse entry to economic migrants