



## Today in History

*January 2, 1492*

▲ Catholic monarchs Ferdinand and Isabella ruling jointly and having united most of Spain, recaptured Granada the last Muslim-controlled city in Spain

**1959:** The Soviet Union launched Luna I, the first spacecraft to reach the vicinity of the moon and to orbit the sun

**1974:** The U.S. lowered its top speed limit to 55mph in order to conserve gasoline during an OPEC embargo

**1992:** Georgian President Zviad Gamsakhurdia was deposed during a military coup

**2011:** Thousands of refugees fled the Ivory Coast as battle raged between supporters of two rival presidents