



## Today in History

*February 2, 1971*

▲ **Major General Idi Amin took over as military head of state in Uganda. Over 100,000 people are believed to have been killed during his eight-year regime**

**1536:** Buenos Aires was founded by Spanish explorer Pedro de Mendoza

**1709:** Alexander Selkirk, who inspired the novel *Robinson Crusoe*, was rescued after five years on an uninhabited island

**2004:** The Hubble telescope detected oxygen and carbon in the atmosphere of a distant gas-giant planet, Osiris

**2007:** The IPCC concluded that human activity was the main factor contributing to global warming