



Today in History

April 27, 2006

▲ **Construction began on the 1,776ft (540m) Freedom Tower in New York, the centrepiece of the rebuilt World Trade Centre after the destruction of the 9/11 attacks**

1521: Portuguese navigator Ferdinand Magellan was killed in the Philippines

1941: German tanks rolled into Athens during World War Two

2001: Scientists revealed how rising thermal plumes in earth's mantle drive tectonic plates, causing earthquakes

2015: A state of emergency was declared in the U.S. city of Baltimore after angry protests over the killing of another black man, Freddie Gray, at the hands of police