



Today in History

April 3, 1922

▲ In the Soviet Union Joseph Stalin (above right, with Lenin), was appointed General Secretary of the Communist Party, a post he held until his death in 1953

1987: The late Duchess of Windsor's jewels fetched over \$62 million at auction in Geneva, Switzerland

2006: The lethal H5N1 strain of avian flu was first reported in a poultry farm in Burkina Faso, West Africa

2007: France's high-speed TGV train reached 574.8km/h (357.2mph) smashing the world record

2016: The leaked "Panama Papers" revealed how some of the super-rich use offshore tax havens