



Today in History

May 11, 330

▲ **Emperor Constantine dedicated Constantinople as the new capital of the Roman Empire. Now called Istanbul, it was built over the ancient Greek city of Byzantium**

1987: The Indian government imposed direct rule on Punjab because of the terror campaign of Sikh extremists

1997: World chess champion Gary Kasparov was beaten by IBM's Deep Blue computer

2006: The U.S. National Security Agency was reported to operate "the world's largest ever database"

2007: Pope Benedict XVI canonized Brazil's first native-born saint, Frei Galvao, on his visit to the country