



# Today in History

*August 26, 2016*

▲ **The Yavuz Sultan Selim Bridge, the world's tallest suspension bridge, was opened to traffic in Istanbul. It is the city's third bridge across the Bosphorus**

**1498:** Michelangelo was commissioned to carve the Pieta for St Peter's Basilica in the Vatican

**1952:** The Soviet Union announced the first successful tests of an Intercontinental Ballistic Missile

**1982:** The government of Argentina lifted a ban on political parties

**2002:** World leaders gathered in Johannesburg, South Africa, for the World Summit for Sustainable Development