



Today in History

December 3, 1967

▲ **Surgeon Christiaan Barnard carried out the world's first heart transplant operation in Cape Town, South Africa. The patient survived for 18 days**

1984: A toxic gas leak at the Union Carbide pesticide plant near Bhopal, India, killed over 3,700 people

1997: A treaty banning the use or manufacture of landmines was signed by 121 countries in Ottawa

2002: UN weapons inspectors searched one of Saddam Hussein's presidential palaces in Iraq

2010: Nissan released the Leaf, one of the first electric cars to be sold on the mass market