



Today in History

February 16, 1959

▲ **Fidel Castro was sworn in as prime minister of Cuba after heading up a guerrilla campaign that forced right-wing dictator Fulgencio Batista into exile**

1968: The Beatles flew to India to study with Maharishi Mahesh Yogi

1994: Queen Elizabeth accepted an invitation to visit Russia, healing a rift caused by the murder of the Tsar and his family in 1918

2005: A guitar owned by Jimi Hendrix sold for £100,000 (\$190,000 at 2005 prices) at auction in London

2010: The first train service in decades re-opened between northern Iraq and Turkey