



Today in History

May 8, 1978

▲ **Reinhold Messner and Peter Habeler became the first climbers to scale Mount Everest without using supplementary oxygen equipment**

1973: The siege of Wounded Knee ended peacefully as Native Americans surrendered after almost 10 weeks

2003: The WHO reported that SARS had been found in 31 countries, with new cases in Taiwan and Russia

2008: Myanmar authorities refused to allow in a delivery of vital food aid following Cyclone Nargis

2008: Ping-pong diplomacy returned when China's President Hu Jintao played table tennis on a visit to Japan