



Today in History

August 11, 1988

▲ **Al-Qaeda, responsible for terror crimes including the 9/11 attacks of 2001 in the U.S. and the 2002 Bali bombings, was founded by Osama bin Laden**

1903: The first U.S. patent for instant coffee was issued to Satori Kato, who had previously invented soluble tea

1978: The bacteria responsible for Legionnaire's disease, a severe form of pneumonia, was isolated

1998: British Petroleum announced it was taking over U.S. oil giant Amoco at a cost of \$54.3 billion

2015: Japan began generating nuclear power for the first time since the Fukushima disaster in 2011