



Today in History

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▲ **Celebrations erupted in Japan as the Imperial family welcomed the first male baby for 41 years. The birth of the new prince averted a looming succession crisis**

1888: U.S. businessman and diplomat Joseph P. Kennedy, father of a political dynasty that included a U.S. President and two Senators, was born

1966: South African prime minister Hendrik Verwoerd was assassinated

1978: U.S. scientists announced the production of human-type insulin by a genetically engineered strain of E. coli

1991: The Soviet Union recognised the independence of the republics of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania