



# Today in History

*October 9, 2017*

▲ **Over half a million Rohingya Muslims were estimated to have fled from Myanmar to Bangladesh to escape the violent crackdown by Myanmar's security forces**

**1938:** The radio altimeter, allowing aircraft pilots to read their height above the local terrain, was first demonstrated

**1998:** Russia appealed for humanitarian aid as economic collapse was compounded by a bad harvest

**2006:** South Korean Foreign Minister Ban Ki-moon was chosen to succeed Kofi Annan as UN Secretary-General

**2006:** Internet search engine Google bought the popular video-sharing website YouTube