



Today in History

January 1, 1999

▲ The introduction of the euro meant that nearly 300 million Europeans in 12 nations woke up to a shared currency for the first time since the Roman Empire

1959: Fidel Castro seized power in Cuba

1979: The United States and China established diplomatic ties, 30 years after the foundation of the People's Republic of China

1984: Brunei gained independence from the UK, and has since become one of the world's richest nations

2009: Russia halted deliveries of natural gas to Ukraine after the failure of price negotiations