



Today in History

February 26, 1919

▲ **The Grand Canyon National Park was established in Arizona. The horizontal strata, carved out by the Colorado River, retrace two billion years of geological history**

1980: Egypt and Israel established diplomatic relations, marking the end of 30 years of war between them

1984: The last American marines in the multinational peacekeeping force in Lebanon left Beirut

1996: A \$442m satellite floated away into space when the 20km tether linking it to the space shuttle snapped

2009: The Royal Bank of Scotland reported losses of £24.1 billion, the largest loss in British corporate history