



Today in History

May 18, 1919

▲ Prima ballerina Dame Margot Fonteyn, one of the world's greatest classical ballet stars, best remembered for her partnership with Rudolf Nureyev, was born

1954: The European Convention on Human Rights to protect human rights and political freedoms came into force

1974: India became the world's sixth nuclear power when it successfully detonated its first nuclear bomb

1994: The U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the sale of the first genetically-engineered tomato

2009: Sri Lankan government forces defeated the Tamil Tigers, ending a 26-year civil war