

A group of Chinese expedition members in blue winter jackets are raising the national flag at a remote Arctic station. The flag is being hoisted on a tall pole, and the team is standing on a rocky, icy shore with a vast, icy landscape in the background.

Today in History

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▲ **China opened its Arctic Yellow River Station, in Svalbard, Norway. Research includes study of the Aurora Borealis, microbes in the ice-pack, and glacier monitoring**

1914: Austria-Hungary declared war on Serbia following the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand in Sarajevo

1999: Nearly 100 countries pledged a total of \$2.1 billion to help in the reconstruction of Kosovo

2005: The Irish Republican Army ended its 36-year armed campaign against British rule in Northern Ireland

2017: The Supreme Court of Pakistan disqualified Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif from holding public office