



# Today in History

*July 31, 1994*

▲ Dutch F1 driver Jos Verstappen had a miraculous escape when his Benetton car erupted in flames while being refuelled during the German Grand Prix

**1994:** The UN authorised the use of force in Haiti to restore exiled President Jean-Bertrand Aristide to power

**2004:** Iran confirmed that it had resumed building centrifuges for the purpose of enriching uranium

**2009:** Russian gas giant Gazprom began construction of a pipeline linking the Pacific with the port of Vladivostok

**2014:** West Africa's Ebola outbreak became the worst known in history, with 1,300 infected and 672 deaths