



Today in History

August 21, 1959

▲ **Hawaiian statehood took effect as U.S. President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed an executive order proclaiming Hawaii the 50th state of the union**

1911: Leonardo da Vinci's Mona Lisa was stolen from the Louvre by an Italian waiter. It was recovered in 1913

1944: U.S., British, Russian and Chinese representatives met to plan the formation of the United Nations

2009: A leak at an oil rig off Australia's northwest coast spilt 64 tonnes of oil a day into the Timor Sea over 10 weeks

2014: The Bank of America agreed to pay over \$16bn for risky mortgage-backed securities sold before the 2008 recession