



Today in History

August 24, 410

▲ The Visigoth army, commanded by Alaric, sacked Rome, then the largest city in the world. It was the first time the city had fallen to a foreign enemy in 800 years

1965: Saudi Arabia and Egypt, which had backed rival sides in the Yemeni civil war, signed a ceasefire deal

1995: China expelled U.S. human rights activist Harry Wu Hongda after he was convicted of spying

2015: Facebook, the social network site founded by Mark Zuckerberg, hit one billion users in a single day

2016: A potentially habitable exoplanet, Proxima Centauri b, was discovered