



Today in History

December 6, 2000

▲ **Two giant pandas, a female called Mei Xiang and a male, Tian Tian, arrived at Washington's National Zoo on a 10-year loan from China**

1865: Georgia ratified the 13th Amendment, paving the way for the abolition of slavery throughout the U.S.

1990: Iraq's Saddam Hussein freed 3,400 foreign hostages held in Iraq and Kuwait to head off the threat of war

2006: Photographs taken by NASA's Mars Global Surveyor suggested the presence of liquid water on Mars

2017: President Trump recognised Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, overturning decades of U.S. policy