

A close-up portrait of George W. Bush, smiling and looking slightly to the right. He has short, graying hair and is wearing a dark suit jacket over a light blue shirt.

Today in History

January 6, 2001

▲ The U.S. Congress formally confirmed George W. Bush rather than Al Gore as the winner of the most drawn-out presidential election in U.S. history

1941: U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt delivered his famous “Four Freedoms” speech

1978: The Holy Crown of St Stephen was returned to Hungary after being held by the U.S. since World War II

1993: Russian ballet star Rudolf Nureyev died of AIDS at age 54. He defected to the West in 1961

2004: China slaughtered 10,000 civet cats amid fears that the animal was the source of the SARS virus