



Today in History

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▲ **Wuhan and other Chinese cities were placed under quarantine as a new strain of coronavirus spread widely. More than 80 people had died as infections soared**

971: In China, Song dynasty troops armed with crossbows defeated the war elephant corps of the Southern Han

1978: Sweden became the first nation to ban the use of aerosol spray cans using fluorocarbon gases

2001: Ecuador declared a state of emergency as an oil spill threatened the Galapagos Islands

2003: Some 40 librettos of operas by Haydn, believed lost, were found in a second-hand bookshop in Budapest