



Today in History

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▲ After more than 50 years of struggle, the Republic of South Sudan declared its independence, becoming Africa's 54th state and the world's newest nation

1991: The International Olympic Committee lifted a 21-year-old boycott on South Africa

1993: Canada passed the Nunavut Act. It led to the creation in 1999 of Nunavut, Canada's largest territory

2003: The Canadian government agreed to allow the use of marijuana for legal medicinal purposes

2004: The International Court of Justice ruled that Israel's West Bank security barrier violated international law