



Today in History

November 17, 2020

▲ Iota, only the second Category 5 Atlantic hurricane in November, caused severe damage to areas of Central America devastated by Hurricane Eta two weeks earlier

1986: Georges Besse, head of French carmaker Renault, was shot dead in Paris by “Action Directe” terrorists

1991: Khmer Rouge leader Son Sen returned to Cambodia to join a power-sharing administration

1996: A stream of refugees 50 miles long continued to pour across the border from Zaire into Rwanda

2019: The first known case of Covid-19 was traced to a man who had visited a market in Wuhan, China