



Today in History

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▲ A landmark deal to try to limit the rise in global temperatures to less than 2°C was agreed at the conclusion of the COP21 climate change summit in Paris

1936: Chinese leader Chiang Kai-shek declared war on Japan

2006: Leading climatologists warned that most of the Arctic icecap will have melted by 2040

2012: North Korea controversially launched a long-range rocket, in defiance of international warnings

2020: John le Carré, author of Cold War thrillers like *The Spy Who Came In From The Cold* and *Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy*, died aged 89