



Today in History

December 26, 1991

▲ The hammer and sickle flag was lowered for the last time and the Soviet Union was formally dissolved, one day after the resignation of Mikhail Gorbachev

1975: The Soviet Union's Tupolev-144 became the first supersonic aircraft to go into regular service

1993: An 11-year-old Angora cat from Seattle inherited a \$500,000 estate

2007: Six French charity workers were convicted in Chad of trying to kidnap 103 children for adoption

2009: The world's longest high speed rail route opened in China, a journey of over 900km from Beijing to Guangzhou at up to 350km/h