



Today in History

March 29, 2004

▲ **NATO formally welcomed seven new members as Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Bulgaria, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia were admitted to the organisation**

1827: More than 10,000 mourners attended Ludwig van Beethoven's funeral in Vienna

2004: Ireland became the world's first country to impose a nationwide ban on smoking in public places

2012: Montjeu, the outstanding European racehorse of 1999, died. In two years he won 11 out of 16 races

2017: The UK invoked Article 50 of the Lisbon Treaty on European Union to start the Brexit process