



Today in History

May 18, 1642

▲ The city of Ville Marie (City of Mary), later renamed Montreal, was founded by a group of French colonists sent to evangelise the Native Americans

1954: The European Convention on Human Rights, to protect human rights and political freedoms, came into force

1974: India became the world's sixth nuclear power when it successfully detonated its first nuclear bomb

1994: The U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the sale of the first genetically-engineered tomato

2007: Divers discovered a hoard of gold and silver coins on a sunken Spanish galleon, valued at \$500m