



Today in History

July 25, 1959

▲ The hovercraft made its first crossing of the English Channel. The SR-N1 crossed from Calais to Dover in two hours, with inventor Christopher Cockerell on board

1952: The European Coal and Steel Community, the forerunner of the European Union, came into force

1982: PLO leader Yasser Arafat signed a document in Beirut accepting UN resolutions on Israel's right to exist

1997: Former Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot was sentenced to life imprisonment

2021: Tunisia's president dismissed the government in response to protests against economic hardship