



Today in History

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▲ The Burj Khalifa, at 825m the tallest structure ever built, was opened in Dubai. It was named in honour of UAE President Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan

1948: The Union of Burma was proclaimed as an independent republic

1958: Sputnik I, the world's first artificial satellite, disintegrated and fell to earth after three months

1958: Sir Edmund Hillary became the first explorer to reach the South Pole overland since 1912

1993: Daniel arap Moi was sworn in as president of Kenya after winning the country's first multi-party election for 26 years