



Today in History

January 26, 1939

▲ **General Franco's Nationalist forces captured Barcelona during the Spanish Civil War. The fall of the Republican capital hastened the end of the three-year conflict**

1788: The first European settlers, including 700 convicts transported from England, landed in present-day Sydney

1905: The Cullinan diamond, the world's largest at 3,106 carats, was mined in South Africa

1993: Vaclav Havel, playwright and former dissident, was elected the first president of the new Czech Republic

1998: U.S. President Bill Clinton declared he had not had sexual relations with Monica Lewinsky