



Today in History

August 13, 1923

▲ **Mustafa Kemal Atatürk was re-elected Speaker of the Grand Assembly, a position equal to the presidency. He was formally elected president later that year**

1521: Spanish conquistador Hernando Cortez captured the Aztec capital Tenochtitlan, present-day Mexico City

1961: The border between East and West Berlin was closed ahead of construction of the Berlin Wall

1998: Financier George Soros described the state of Russia's stock markets as "terminal"

2001: NASA's solar-powered "flying wing", Helios, set a new altitude record for non-rocket aircraft