

A close-up portrait of Anna Lindh, a Swedish politician, wearing glasses and a red jacket. The image is framed with a dark border.

Today in History

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▲ **Swedish Foreign Minister Anna Lindh was fatally stabbed at a Stockholm department store. The popular politician had been tipped as a likely future prime minister**

1823: Simon Bolivar, who led Latin America's struggle for independence from Spain, became president of Peru

1943: In World War Two, German troops occupied Rome and took over the protection of Vatican City

2009: The Dubai Metro, the first mass transit system on the Arabian Peninsula, was opened

2012: The so-called "junk" DNA in the human genome was found to link regulators turning genes on or off