

Wednesday, March 8

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1946:** The helicopter was first licensed for commercial use in the United States

1869: French composer Hector Berlioz died

1910: French aviator Elise de Laroche was the first woman to be awarded a pilot's license

1965: The first U.S. combat troops arrived in Vietnam

1999: Australia bowled out the once-dominant West Indies cricket team for just 51 runs in Trinidad

2005: Former Chechen president Aslan Maskhadov was killed in a raid on his bunker by Russian troops
