

Tuesday, March 14

ON THIS DAY



▲ **2005:** China's legislature passed a law authorising the use of force against Taiwan if the island declared formal independence

1489: Catherine Cornaro, Queen of Cyprus, sold her kingdom to Venice

1932: U.S. photographic pioneer George Eastman, founder of the Kodak company, committed suicide

1965: Israel accepted a West German request to establish diplomatic relations

2005: The UN increased the official death toll from hunger and disease in the Darfur region of Sudan from 70,000 to 180,000, but this figure excluded deaths from violence