

## Today in History, March 7

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A postage stamp commemorating 15 years of Soviet space exploration.

Fifty-four years ago today, in 1960, the USSR formed its first cosmonaut squad. It consisted of 20 men — not older than 35 years, not taller than 175 centimeters and not heavier than 75 kilos.

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