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Foreign Minister Vyacheslav Molotov signs the German-Soviet non-aggression pact in Moscow.

A non-aggression treaty known as the Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact, was signed between Germany and the Soviet Union, 74 years ago today on Aug. 23, 1939. A secret protocol that divided Eastern Europe into Nazi and Soviet spheres of influence was included in the pact, although the treaty was declared void upon Germany's invasion of the Soviet Union in 1941.

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