

National Anthem of Mexico

Mexicans, at the cry of battle prepare your swords and bridle; and let the earth tremble at its center at the roar of the cannon.

Oh fatherland Your forehead shall be girded with olive garlands, by the divine archangel of peace For in heaven your eternal destiny has been written by the hand of God.

> But should a foreign enemy dare to profane your land with his sole, Think, beloved fatherland, that heaven gave you a soldier in each son.

War, war without truce against who would attempt to blemish the honor of the fatherland! War, war! The drench in waves of blood. War, war! On the mount, in the valley The terrifying thunder of the cannon And the echoes nobly resound to the cries of Union! Liberty!

> Fatherland, before your children Become unarmed Beneath the yoke their necks in sway, And your countryside be watered with blood, On blood their feet trample. And may your temples, palaces and towers crumble in horrid crash, and ruins remain saying: The fatherland was made of one thousand heroes.

Fatherland, fatherland, your children swear to exhale their breath in your cause, If the bugle in its belligerent tone should call upon them to struggle with bravery.

For you the olive garlands!

For them a memory of glory!

For you a laurel of victory!

For them a tomb of honor!

