

**The wretched of the earth have risen  
O Lord - do not save the tyrants**

**The hungry of the world are singing  
The weak of the world are swinging  
The oppressed of the world are smiling  
O Lord - do not save the tyrants**

**O Lord - do not save the tyrants and  
The brothers of the tyrants, and  
The helpers of the tyrants,  
The hypocrites who hail the tyrants,  
O Lord - do not save the tyrants**

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**From Maghrib to Iskandaria  
From the Mediterranean to the Red Sea  
From the Medina of Tunis to the Medina of the Prophet  
O Lord - do not save the tyrants**

**O Lord - do not save the tyrants, and  
Grant the wretched a scent of the freedom  
Give the wretched a taste of dignity  
Honor the wretched with crowns on their heads  
O Lord - the wretched of the earth have risen**

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