

Algeria

Qassaman (We Pledge)

Mufdi Zakariah

Mohamed Fawzi

Tempo di Marcia

1st Verse

*We swear by the lightning that destroys,
 By the streams of generous blood being shed,
 By the bright flags that wave,
 Flying proudly on the high mountains,
 That we have risen up, and whether we live or die,
 We are resolved that Algeria shall live -
 So be our witness - be our witness - be our witness!*

Qassaman (Arabic: قاسمان) was written by Mufdi Zakariah in 1955 whilst he was imprisoned by the French colonial army. The music was written by an Egyptian, Mohamed Fawzi. It was adopted as the national anthem of Algeria in 1963, shortly after independence from France.