

The National Anthem of the Federal Republic of Germany



Composer: Franz Josef Haydn (1732-1809) Lyrics: August Heinrich Hoffmann von Fallersleben (1798-1874)



Today the German National Anthem is the third verse of the *Deutschlandlied* (established in correspondence between Federal Chancellor Kohl and Federal President von Weizsäcker dated 19 and 23 August 1991 as published in the bulletin of the Press and Information Office of the Federal Government No. 89/1991 dated 27 August 1991).

The text of the National Anthem reads:

"Unity and right and freedom For the German fatherland, Let us all pursue this purpose Fraternally with heart and hand. Unity and right and freedom Are the pledge of happiness. Flourish in this blessing's glory, Flourish, German fatherland."



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