



*Courtesy of the Mexican government.*

*The Spanish Conquest in 1521 did not eradicate Mexico's Indian heritage. Today, a bronze statue of the defeated Aztec emperor, Cuauhtémoc ("Falling Eagle"), adorns the center of Mexico City. There are several well-known paintings of the victorious Spaniard, Hernán Cortés. The most popular (above) is by muralist Diego Rivera, who depicts the great Conquistador as a cross-eyed, syphilitic hunchback.*