

Andrew Lloyd Webber, Rainbow Tour

"Peron"

People of Europe,
I send you the rainbow of Argentina...!

"Che"

Spain has fallen to the charms of Evita!
She can do what she likes, it doesn't matter much!
She's the new world Madonna with the golden touch!
She filled a bull-ring, forty-five thousand seater,
but if you're prettier than General Franco, that's not hard.

Franco's reign in Spain should see out the forties,
so you've just acquired an ally who
looks as secure in his job as you.
More important, current political thought is
your wife's a phenomenal asset, your trump card!

"Supporters"

Let's hear it for the Rainbow Tour,
It's been an incredible success!
We weren't quite sure, we had a few doubts!

"Che"

Would Evita win through?

"Supporters"

But the answer is yes!

"Eva"

There you are, I told you so:
makes no difference where we go!
The whole world over, just the same-
You should have heard them call our name
and who would underestimate the actress now?

"Peron"

I'm not underestimating you!
Just do the same thing in Italy please!

"Che"

Now I don't like to spoil a wonderful story
but the news from Rome is not so good
She hasn't gone down like we thought she would.
Italy's unconvinced by Argentine glory.
They equate Peron with Mussolini (Can't think why!)

"Eva"

Did you hear that? They called me a whore!
They actually called me a whore!

"Old Seaman"

But Senora Peron, it's an easy mistake!
I'm still called an admiral,
but I gave up the sea long ago!

"Che"

Things aren't all that bad - she met with the Pope.
She got a Papal decoration and a kindly word,
so even if the crowd gave our lady the bird,
The Argentine-Italy axis does have some hope.

"Woman"

She still made a fabulous impact - caught the eye.

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"Che"
Would Evita win through?

"Supporters"
But the answer is...

"Che"
...a qualified...

"Supporters"
...yes!

"Che"
Eva started well, no question, in France:
shining like the sun through the post-war haze,
a beautiful reminder of the carefree days.
She nearly captured the French, she sure had the chance,
but she suddenly seemed to lose interest ... she looked tired.

"Supporters"
Tired? Eva? Tired?

"Che"
Face the facts, the Rainbow's started to fade!
I don't think she'll make it to England now...

"Peron"
It wasn't on the schedule anyhow...

"Che"
Better get out the flags and fix a parade~
Some kind of coming home in triumph is required.

"Supporters"
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"Che"
Would Evita win through?

"Supporters"
But the answer is yes...

"Che"
And no!

"Supporters"
And yes!

"Che"
And no!

"Supporters"
And yes ... and no.

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It's been an incredible success!

"Eva"

Who the hell does the King of England think he is?

Tea at some tinpot castle of his!

What kind of invitation is that?

Argentina's first lady deserves Buckingham Palace.

If England can do without me,
then Argentina can do without England.