

## Texas' Grievances Against Mexico

The Mexican government invited us to come and settle Texas, and promised we would have a written constitution like the United States.	The Mexican government hired foreign pirates to attack our ships and steal the goods meant for Texans. They then sold these goods to others.
Santa Anna refuses to acknowledge the constitution he showed us and ordered us to either leave Texas, or stay and tolerate his military and religious dictatorship.	The Mexican government forces us to join their national religion and does not let us choose which religion we want to follow.
Mexico made Coahuila the boss of Texas and we are ruled by a majority who doesn't speak our language, we've been taken advantage of, and Mexico won't allow us to be a separate state.	The Mexican government ordered that we give up our most important leaders to the Mexican army. They took our leaders to Mexico City for trial even though the constitution said they couldn't do that.
The Mexican government put one of our most respected citizens in prison just for asking that we be allowed to become our own Mexican state.	The Mexican government forced us to give up our weapons so that we would not be able to defend ourselves.
The Mexican government has denied us the right for a jury trial before we are punished or thrown into prison.	The Mexican government has invaded Texas in order to destroy our land and kick us out of our homes. In fact, they have a large army advancing on us right now.
The Mexican government has not provided us with any public education system. It has been proven that if people are to maintain the ability to be self-governed, they need to be educated.	The Mexican government has sent Mexican officials to Texas to talk to the Native Americans and try to get them to attack us.
The Mexican government has ignored our rights by randomly sending their military troops to our homes and towns. Our city governments are practically powerless against their military forces.	The Mexican government, the entire time that we have had to deal with them, has shown they cannot even keep a stable government. They have shown themselves to be weak, corrupt and tyrannical.
The Mexican government brought their army into our state capital and did away with our state legislature by using force, causing our representatives to leave the capital.	