

Song of the Volga Boatmen

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a Russian folk song

Ey, ukhnem! Ey, ukhnem! *
Once more, boys, and yet once more!
Ey, ukhnem! Ey, ukhnem!
Once more, boys, and yet once more!

As along the shores we run,
Sing our shanty in the sun.
Ai-da, da ai-da! Ai-da, da ai-da! **
Sing our shanty in the sun!

Ey, ukhnem! Ey, ukhnem!
Once more, boys, and yet once more!

Volga! Volga! Mother stream!
Oh, thou river, broad and deep!
Ai-da, da ai-da! Ai-da, da ai-da!
Once more, boys, and yet once more!

Volga! Volga! Mother stream!
Oh, thou river, broad and deep!

Ey, ukhnem! Ey, ukhnem!
Yeshcho razik, yeshcho da raz! ***

Ey, ukhnem! Ey, ukhnem!

* Yo, heave, ho! Yo, heave,ho!
** Ay-da, da, ay-da! Ay-da, da, ay-da!
*** Once more, once again, still once more!