Oh when I hear the strains of that sweet "ʻAlekoki"
And stealing from a far off guitar "Penei Nō"
When "Liliʻu ē" makes you sway in the moonlight
I know the reason why fair Hawaiʻi haunts you so

ʻAʻole i piliwī ʻia
Kahi wai aʻo ʻAlekoki
Ua hoʻokohu ka ua i uka
Noho maila i Nuʻuanu

The lovely blue of sky and the sapphire of ocean
The flashing white of cloud and of waves’ foaming crest
The many shades of green from the plain to the mountain
With all the brightest hues of the rainbow we’re blessed

Anuanu makehewa au

I hear the swish of rain as it sweeps down the valleys
I hear the song of wind as it sighs through the trees
I hear the crash of waves on the rocks and the beaches

I hear the hissing surf and the boom of the seas

E kilohi au i ka nani

Nā pua o Mauna‘ala

Haʻina mai ka puana

Kahi wai aʻo ‘Alekoki

I love to dance and sing of the charms of Hawai’i

And from a joyful heart sing aloha to you

In every note I'll tell of the spell of my islands

For then I know that you'll be in love with them too

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