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% README.mltex of the french style files distribution for \AllTeX
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MlTeX or Multi-lingual TeX  brings an important
feature: it allows to run with a full ASCII 8-bit input
(ISO-Latin 1 or any other standard you prefer) and
internally translate 8-bit characters to the corresponding
pair: accent macro + letter (i.e. in systems where the
fonts does not contain the appropriate 8-bit characters).
So, for example, if you want to write European languages
like German or French with CMR fonts, you defintely need
MlTeX if you want (among other things) a correct
hyphenation.

MlTeX was designed by Michael Ferguson from the Canadian
INRS-Telecommunications, University du Quebec.
It is composed of various files.
The major one is the change file in Web, for TeX itself.
Applying this change file you would be able to create a
running MlTeX on your machine. But you need probably to
learn about many TeX tools... It's not always easy.
This should not be necessary since all TeX engines based
on Web2C offer the feature MlTeX.

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I would better suggest to get directly the binaries based
on Web2C. In this case you only give the "-mltex" option for
format creation ("-ini") to have the feature MlTeX.
When using LaTeX it's possible to write \usepackage{mltex}
to initialize all chars with diacritics.
(on CTAN in  macros/latex/contrib/supported/mltex/)
On my side i prefer using "kbconfig" at format creation
(or \usepackage{keyboard} after) because it provides more
features and less memory usage.

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PS: If you still want to generate your own MlTeX you could
find its sources over the network via anonymous FTP
from CTAN in system/generic/mltex

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