

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF PORTO RICO.

San Juan, December 8, 1898.

To the  
Commanding General,  
District of San Juan.

Sir:-

There have recently been many changes in Alcaldes and Council-  
men throughout the Island. Many of those who have been displaced are now  
submitting complaints and petitions intended to show that they were  
improperly removed. Such complaints and petitions will not be  
considered.

The present office-holders throughout the Island will only  
be removed for cause, by orders from these Headquarters, and persons  
submitting complaints of misconduct on the part of such office-  
holders, without proof, will be proceeded against.

Public meetings to express approval or disapproval of Military  
officers on the Island are forbidden.

By Command of Brigadier General Henry:

(Signed) W. V. Richards,

Assistant Adjutant General.

Official copy respectfully furnished Commanding Officer at  
Camuy.

C. W. Fenton,  
Assistant Adjutant General.

Ward's, Dept. of Porto Rico.

San Juan, Nov. 8, 1898.

Richards, W. V.

U. S. Genl. Dir. of San Juan.

Refers to the County Officer, Economy, P. R. that the County  
Genl. Dir. of P. R. states that there have been frequent  
changes in the Members by Government. Through these  
changes many of whom, who have been reported and  
now submitting complaints & petitions. The present  
officer, Richards will only be allowed for same, by  
order from the Major, etc.  
Public meetings to require approval or disapproval  
of military officers on the island are forbidden.

Received at Economy, P. R. Dec. 14, 1898.

L. S. No. 94/98

C. W. F. [Signature]  
Assistant Adjutant General

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Economy,