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Money

General Orders,

No. 30.

Headquarters Department
of Porto Rico.
San Juan, March, 8 1899.

Pursuant to the third paragraph of the order of the President of the United States, dated January 26th, 1899, relating to the current money of Porto Rico, viz; "It is further ordered and directed that out of the Porto Rican coins so received a convenient supply shall be retained and carried for exchange for United States money at the rates hereinbefore enumerated, namely, \$0. 60 United States money for one Porto Rican silver peso" there shall be kept in the Custom Houses at San Juan, Ponce and Mayaguez, Porto Rican money for exchange for American money at the authorized rate of exchange, that is, 1.66²/₃ pesos, Porto Rican money, for one dollar American money.

In making this exchange for legitimate purposes, and in no case will it be exchanged for persons who are themselves engaged in exchanging money for profit.

× So long as this exchange of money shall be continued, no person engaged in business in Porto Rico shall refuse to accept American money when tendered at the rate prescribed by the President of United States.

On and after July 1, 1899, and until further orders, all public dues, insular and municipal taxes, fines and costs will be assessed in United States money. Where changes in dues, salaries, &c, are not provided for, the amount of dues, salaries, &c, will be determined in accordance with the prescribed rate of exchange.

It is urgently recommended that all tradesmen throughout the Island express the price of their goods in American money, with alternate price in Porto Rican money, with due regard to the authorized rate of exchange.

By Command of Major General Henry:

W. P. HALL,
Adjutant General.

Drawing Sharp

Gen Davis wish to be informed as to the legality

of the above-mentioned paragraph

*I think it is clearly illegal and so informed Gen. Henry at the time.
See my endorsement on a similar case...*