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Referring to Joint Resolution of the Legislature of Porto Rico "Providing for the transfer to the people of the United States of the land known as 'Baluarte de las Animas' belonging to the people of Porto Rico and which was transferred to the latter by the Municipality of San Juan, and for other purposes", approved December 12, 1918, I beg to advise that under date of February 26, 1926 Executive Order No. 4386 has been issued by the President of the United States transferring San Justo Bastion and land adjacent thereto to the people of Porto Rico and accepting Las Animas Bastion for the United States. Copy of Executive Order is attached.

Respectfully,

F. P. Dillon  
Superintendent.

Encls.: Executive Order.

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## Executive Order

WHEREAS, by Executive Orders of June 30, 1903, certain lands in Porto Rico, including a tract of land known as Las Animas Bastion, were reserved for military purposes, and San Juan Bastion and land adjacent to San Juan Bastion were reserved for lighthouse purposes, in accordance with "An Act authorizing the President to reserve public lands and buildings in the Island of Porto Rico for public uses, and granting other public lands and buildings to the Government of Porto Rico, and for other purposes," approved July 1, 1902; and

WHEREAS, by Executive Orders of November 5 and November 23, 1903, the said Executive Order of June 30, 1903, was modified in such manner as to exclude from the military reservation all of the tract known as Las Animas Bastion, except a strip of land 16 feet wide along the parapet of the Bastion, and the portion of Las Animas Bastion so excluded was thereby returned to the people of Porto Rico; and

WHEREAS, Las Animas Bastion is required by the United States for lighthouse purposes; and

WHEREAS, by Joint Resolution "Providing for the transfer to the people of the United States of the land known as 'Baluarte de Las Animas' belonging to the people of Porto Rico and which was transferred to the latter by the Municipality of San Juan, and for other purposes," approved December 12, 1918, the Legislature of Porto Rico assigned and transferred to the people of the United States the said Las Animas Bastion or Baluarte de Las Animas, conditional upon the people of the United States assigning and transferring to the people of Porto Rico, land known as Baluarte de San Justo, also known as San Juan Bastion, and land adjacent to the San Juan Bastion; and

WHEREAS, the San Juan Bastion and land adjacent thereto are not needed for purposes of the United States; and

WHEREAS, by Section Seven of "An Act to provide a civil government for Porto Rico, and for other purposes," approved March 2, 1917, the President is authorized to convey to the people of Porto Rico such lands, buildings, or interests in lands or other property now owned by the United States and within the territorial limits of Porto Rico as in his opinion are no longer needed for purposes of the United States, and to accept by legislative grant from Porto Rico any lands, buildings, or other interests or property which may be needed for public purposes by the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, the land known as San Juan Bastion, beginning at the southeast corner of the Bastion, thence North 12 degrees 45 minutes west, 36.5 feet; thence along curb line south 87 degrees 45 minutes west, 104.5 feet; thence south 5 degrees 15 minutes west, 39.5 feet; thence south 68 degrees east, 63.2 feet; thence north 61 degrees east, 63 feet, to point of beginning, containing 0.111 acre, and land adjacent to San Juan Bastion, beginning at the northeast corner of San Juan Bastion, thence north 78 degrees 30 minutes east, 86.4 feet; thence south 16 degrees east, 41.7 feet; thence south 39 degrees 45 minutes west, 67.6 feet; thence south 88 degrees west, 91.6 feet; thence north 18 feet; thence north 61 degrees east, 63 feet; thence north 12 degrees 45 minutes west, 32.5 feet, to point of beginning containing 0.168 acre, are hereby transferred and conveyed to the people of Porto Rico; and

The parcel of land known as Las Animas Bastion, situate in the northern part of the City of San Juan and beginning at Point No. 43, thence north 37 degrees 30 minutes east, 97.8 feet, more or less, to Point No. 44; thence north 68 degrees 51 minutes east, 68.5 feet, more or less, to Point No. 45; thence south 77 degrees 27 minutes east, 109.2 feet, more or less, to Point No. 46; thence south 24 degrees east, 81.0 feet, more or less, to Point No. 47; thence south 89 degrees west, 269.9 feet, more or less, to starting Point No. 43, containing 18412.47 square feet, equal to 1710.52 square meters, is hereby accepted by the United States and reserved for lighthouse purposes.

CALVIN COOLIDGE

THE WHITE HOUSE,  
February 26, 1926.

[No. 4386]

