retroactive effect; that is to say, as of the date of Executive Order No. 607, Juanary 1, 1921.

ARTICLE 3. All laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

S. S. ROBISON,
Rear-Admiral, United States Navy,
Military Governor of Santo Domingo.

Santo Domingo, D. R.,
October 20, 1921.

MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF SANTO DOMINGO.
Executive Order No. 680.
Appropriation for the Santo Domingo-Monte Cristy Road.
O. G. No. 3267.

By virtue of the powers vested in the Military Government of Santo Domingo, the following Order is hereby promulgated:

There is hereby appropriated from the funds of the Dominican Republic deposited with the Guaranty Trust Company of New York the sum of EIGHTY FIVE THOUSAND ($85,000.00) DOLLARS towards the completion of the Santo Domingo-Monte Cristy Road.

S. S. ROBISON,
Rear-Admiral, United States Navy,
Military Governor of Santo Domingo.

Santo Domingo City, D. R.,
October 21, 1921.

MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF SANTO DOMINGO.
Executive Order No. 681.
Amending the Property Tax Law.
O. G. No. 3267.

By virtue of the powers vested in the Military Government

of Santo Domingo, the following Executive Order is hereby promulgated:

ARTICLE 1. Executive Order No. 282, as amended, is hereby further amended in the following manner:

(a) All that part of Article 44 from the word "Such" in the twentieth line of said Article of the Law as printed in the "Colección de Ordenes Ejecutivas", official edition, to the end thereof, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Such prior lien shall be in favor of the Dominican Government and if the taxes and surcharges have not been paid within ninety days after the date on which said taxes became delinquent, such of the delinquent tax-payer's property, on which the tax has not been paid, as may be designated by the Chief of the Property Tax Section in accordance with Article 46 of this Law, shall be attached in favor of the Dominican Government, and as soon as possible after the expiration of ninety days thereafter, such property shall be sold to satisfy all delinquent taxes, accumulated surcharges and costs, owing by the delinquent tax-payer; provided, however, that if such property is found to belong to the Dominican Government, it shall not be sold.

"Par. A. The proceeeds of such sale shall be applied first, to the payment of all the delinquent taxes, accumulated surcharges and costs, owing by the linquent tax-payer. Any balance remaining from such proceeds shall forthwith be remitted by the corresponding Municipal Treasurer to the Treasurer of the Dominican Republic, with an itemized statement of the transaction. After the issuance of the final certificate of purchase, as provided in Article 55, said balance shall be delivered to the owner of such property, or to his heirs or assigns, or other person having a legal right thereto, if such owner or person can be found. If no valid claim to ownership thereof is established within five years from the date of the sale, such balance shall pertain definitely to the Dominican Government."

(b) All of Article 45, excepting Paragraph B thereof, which remains unchanged, to read as follows:

"Article 45. In all cases where property is attached under the provisions of this Law because of the non-payment of the taxes thereon, such attachment shall cover the property itself, including everything thereon or attached thereto, except wearing apparel, beds and bedding, kitchen utensils and dining-room furniture and fixtures actually in use by the family, and, not exceeding two head of cattle intended, or used, exclusively, for tilling the soil or for carting products of the soil, and only one

of the following animals: cow, horse, mare, mule or donkey, and all farming implements actually used in tilling the soil.

"Par. A. If, after compliance with the provisions of Article 51, the property offered for sale is not sold to some person other than the Dominican Government, or is sold in an amount insufficient to cover all delinquent taxes, surcharges and costs, owing by the delinquent tax-payer, such other property of the delinquent tax-payer as is not specifically exempted by this Article, or such part thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the full amount of such taxes, surcharges and costs, may be immediately attached, and sold in the manner provided in this Law, to satisfy such taxes, surcharges and costs, or part thereof remaining unsatisfied. The Chief of the Property Tax Section shall first cause proceeding to be instituted in the manner provided in Article 44 for the sale of other property, if any, of the delinquent tax-payer, on which the taxes are delinquent under this Law. If the proceeds from sales made as hereinbefore provided are insufficient to cover the delinquent taxes in question, the attachment and sale of such other property as the delinquent tax-payer may have, shall be proceeded with in the following order:

"1 All other property taxable under this Law;

"2. Standing crops;

"3. Gathered crops;

"4. Cattle;

"5. Fixtures;

"6. Other personal property."

(c) Article 46 to read as follows:

"Article 46. If any person fails or refuses to pay his or her taxes within the period prescribed in Article 44 of this Law, the Municipal Treasurer shall make written report thereof to the Collector of Internal Revenue of the Province in which such property is located, returning the receipt, or receipts, covering such taxes to said Collector, who shall report the matter, accompanied by all available information relative thereto, to the Chief of the Property Tax Section, who shall issue an order of attachment against such delinquent tax-payer's property, prescribed by Article 45, as in his opinion may best guarantee the payment of such delinquent taxes and accumulated surcharges and costs attaching thereto by reason of the nonpayment of such taxes."

(d) The following paragraph is added to Article 47:

"Par. C. For each service on the interested party of said notice of attachment, a fee of three dollars ($3) shall be included as an item of the costs of the sale."

(e) Article 51 is amended by inserting the words "immediately to the said Municipal Treasurer" between the words "pay" and "not" in the tenth line of Paragraph E thereof.

(f) Article 55 to read as follows:

"Article 55. Upon the receipt of the statement covering the sale of any property sold for taxes, the Collector shall prepare, sign and deliver to the purchaser of such property a provisional certificate of purchase, which shall contain the name and address of said purchaser, the date of the sale of such property ,the amount for which it was sold, a statement that said amount has been paid by the purchaser, the amount of taxes, surcharges and costs, and such description of the property as is required by Article 48 of this Law, and the folio and volume wherein the property sold shall have been recorded, in case it has been so recorded. If, upon the expiration of six months after the date of the sale, such property has not been redeemed as provided in Paragraph A of this Article, the Collector shall, upon surrender of the provisional certificate of purchase, prepare, sign and deliver to said purchaser, his heirs or assigns, a certificate of purchase, which shall contain all of the aforementioned facts, and further state that said period of six months has expired, and that the delinquent tax-payer, or his duly authorized representative, has not exercised the right of redemption with respect to the said property, as provided in Paragraph A of this Article. A duplicate of such certificate of purchase shall be forwarded to the Chief of the Property Tax Section; provided, that failure to thansmit the duplicate shall not affect the validity of the original.

"Par. A. Any person whose property is sold under the provisions of this Law, or his duty authorized representative, may at any time within six months after the date of such sale, and not thereafter, redeem said property by paying to the Municipal Treasurer of the Commune in which such property is located, a sum of money the amount of wich shall be calculated by the Municipal Treasurer as follows: Ten percent (10%) shall be added to the amount representing the gross proceeds from the sale, after which interest shall be computed at one percent (1%) a month on the total from date of sale to the then date, and then any balance remaining under Paragraph A of Article 44 shall be deducted. The net sum so calculated shall be paid by such person to the Municipal Treasurer who shall deliver to him an itemized receipt wich shall bear the date when the payment was made, and shall forthwith remit the amount to the Treasurer of the Dominican Republic together with a certified copy of the receipt. Upon presentation of the original of this receipt to the Collector

the latter shall prepare, sign and deliver to the person redeeming the property, a certificate stating that the said property has been redeemed, and is thereby reconveyed to the owner thereof, his heirs or assigns, free from the lien of such taxes, interest and surcharges and subject to all other liens and legal claims against it to the same extent and in the same manner as though said property had never been sold for taxes, said certificate being effective for the purposes named, when countersigned by the Chief of the Property Tax Section. A duplicate certificate shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of the Dominican Republic, and shall constitute authority for him to reimburse the purchaser in the amount of the purchase price, in addition to the ten percent (10%) and interest paid by the owner as hereinbefore provided. The provisional certificate issued to the purchaser shall be returned by him to the Collector for cancellation and delivery to the owner."

ARTICLE 2. This Executive Order shall be effective from and after November 10, 1921.

ARTICLE 3. All laws or part of laws in conflict with this Order are hereby repealed.

S. S. ROBISON,
Rear-Admiral, United States Navy,
Military Governor of Santo Domingo.

Santo Domingo, D. R.,
October 22, 1921.

(E. O. 682 omitted).
See Spanish text.

MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF SANTO DOMINGO.
Executive Order No. 683.
Changing the number of Judges of the Courts of Appeal.
O. G. No. 3270.

By virtue of the powers vested in the Military Government of Santo Domingo, the following Executive Order is hereby promulgated:

ARTICLE 1. Beginning January 1, 1922, the number of