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MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF SANTO DOMINGO.

Executive Order No. 608.

LAW TO PREVENT THE INTRODUCTION AND THE SPREADING OF DANGEROUS COMMUNICABLE ANIMAL DISEASES INTO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

O. G. No. 3202.

By virtue of the powers vested in the Military Government of Santo Domingo, the following Executive Order to prevent the introduction into the Dominican Republic of dangeous communicable animal diseases, and to prevent the spreading of such diseases within the Republic and for other purposes, is hereby dictated and promulgated:

Section 1.— For the purposes of this law domestic animals are hereby defined as horses, mules, asses, cattle, carabaos, hogs, sheep, goats, dogs and circus animals or those intended to be used for show purposes.

Section 2.— For the purposes of this law a dangerous communicable animal disease is hereby defined as: glanders or fercy, rinderpest, hemorrahgic scepticimia, hog cholera, foot and mouth disease, contagious abortion, or any acute communicable disease which may cause the mortality of over five per centum in the period of one month.

Section 3.— It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation knowingly to ship or otherwise bring into the Dominican Republic any animal suffering from, infected by or dead of any dangerous communicable disease, or any effects pertaining to such animal which are liable to introduce such disease into the Dominican Republic: Provided that, any such animal or effects may be permitted by the Secretary of Agriculture and Immigration to enter the Dominican Republic under such conditions as to quarantine or other disposal as he may direct, which shall be deemed by him sufficient to prevent the spreading of any such disease.

Section 4.— It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation knowingly to ship, drive or otherwise take or transport from one province, municipality, commune or section to another, any domestic animal suffering from any dangerous

communicable disease, or to expose such animal either alive or dead on a public road, street or high-way, where it may come in contact with other domestic animals.

Section 5.— Whenever the Secretary of Agriculture and Immigration shall declare that a dangerous communicable animal disease prevails in any province, municipality, commune or section, and there is dangor of spreeding such disease by shipping, driving or otherwise transporting or taking out of such province, municipality, commune or section, any class of domestic animals, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to ship drive or, otherwise remove the class of animals so specified from such locality, except when accompanied by a certificate issued by authority of the Secretary of Agriculture and Immigration stating the number and kind of animals authorized to be shipped, driven taken or transported, their destination, the manner in which they are authorized to be shipped, driven, taken or transported, and their brands and distinguishing marks. Such certificate shall also state that the animals in question have been inspected by a duly authorized agent of the Secretary of Agriculture and Immigration and found free from dangerous comunicable animal diseases and sahll give the date of such inspection.

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(d) To require the cleaning and disinfection of any uten-

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