

RENTS ARE FROZEN IN CUBA

Annual Rises of 10% Will Be Permitted After a Year

By Cable to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

HAVANA, March 29—President Fulgencio Batista signed today a decree freezing rents at present levels for a year after which landlords will be permitted to increase them 10 per cent yearly, according to an announcement following a night-long Cabinet meeting.

The minimum salary of public employes, fixed several months ago at \$45, was raised to \$60. Members of the armed forces getting less than \$60 received a 20 per cent increase.

The Cabinet announced further study would be given to the 20 per cent increase demanded by government workers.