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Bantamweight Division

On November 12, 2016, the WBA Bantamweight Champion Jamie McDonnell (“McDonnell”), faced Liborio Solis (“Solis”) in Monte Carlo, Monaco. Solis lost the bout by unanimous decision after 12 rounds in a close and controversial decision. The bout was scored 115 to 113, 116 to 112, 117 to 111. Thereafter, on behalf of Solis, and his manager, Manuel Perez Barreiro (“Barreiro”), requested that the WBA order a direct rematch in light of the close and controversial nature of the decision.

I. BACKGROUND

Since May 31, 2014, McDonnell has held the WBA Bantamweight Championship, and has successfully defended the same on five (5) occasions, with a record of 28-2-1 before the bout with Solis. Solis was the WBA’s second ranked boxer in the division and came into the bout with a record of 25-4-1. Also, he has been WBA Interim Super Flyweight Champion in 2011 and WBA Super Flyweight Champion in 2013.

II. DECISION

1. Pursuant to WBA Rule C.26, the WBA reviewed the scoring and decision on a round by round basis, and has determined that the scoring and bout as a whole was sufficiently close to warrant an immediate rematch.

2. The parties have thirty (30) days to negotiate the term of said rematch. If a purse bid is necessary, the split will be 75% to the Champion, McDonnell, and 25% to the Challenger, Solis. In the meantime, neither boxer may participate in any other bout until after the rematch occurs.

Date: January 31, 2017


George Martinez
Championship Committee Chairman