

# WORLD BOXING ASSOCIATION

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# Resolution No. 201906271208 WBA Championships Committee

Super Welterweight Division June 27, 2019

### I. <u>BACKGROUND</u>

On June 24, 2019, the WBA Championship Committee issued Resolution No. 201906241215 directing the two highest rated boxers in the division, Michel Soro ("Soro") and Erislandi Lara ("Lara"), to begin negotiations for a bout to fill the vacant Super Welterweight title.

On June 25, 2019, Univent Production, on behalf of Michel Soro, requested a special permit to sanction a bout between Soro and former WBA # 7 world ranked Magomed Kurvanov ("Kurvanov") for the vacant title.

The WBA provided notice of Soro's request to TGB Promotions representing WBA # 2 Contender Erislandi Lara for comments. The WBA received comments requesting some considerations on behalf of Lara, including an interim bout against Ramon Alvarez next August 31, 2019 for the WBA Interim Title. Said comments were submitted to Soro for reply, which was timely received.

## II. <u>ANALYSIS</u>

- A. Boxers and promoters are obligated to "know and be familiar with all Association rules," including those "for Special Permits." WBA Rule C.14.
- B. The WBA may grant Special Permit Requests and require conditions. "The Committee and the President in their sole discretion shall consider the best interests of boxing, the purposes and policies of the Association, and such other factors that may be relevant, and shall make their best effort to balance competing interests." WBA Rule C.47.

#### III. <u>DECISION</u>

- A. Based upon the above-mentioned Rules, Soro's Special Permit Request is conditionally granted subject the following conditions:
  - a. The winner of Soro/Kurvanov, must face the winner of Lara/Álvarez within 120 days of said bout.
  - b. In the event of a purse bid, the amount of the bid shall be distributed 55% for the World Champion and 45% for the Interim Champion
- B. Lara and Alvarez's August 31, 2019 bout shall be sanctioned for the WBA Interim Title.
- C. Any interested party may request reconsideration of this decision per WBA Rule F.5.

Date: June 27, 2019

Carlos Chavez

Championship Committee Chairman