



WORLD BOXING ASSOCIATION

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President

Resolution No. 2022071516 **WBA Championships Committee**

Middleweight Division

July 15, 2022

I. BACKGROUND

Gennadiy “GGG” Golovkin is requesting a Special Permit to fight Saul “Canelo” Alvarez for the Undisputed WBA/WBC/WBO/IBF Super Middleweight title, on September 17, 2022, at T Mobile Arena, Las Vegas, Nevada.

On April 9, 2022, Gennadiy “GGG” Golovkin (IBF Champion) defeated WBA Middleweight super champion Ryota Murata and became the Unified Super Champion of the division. Golovkin holds a record of 42 wins, 1 loss, 1 draw with 37 KO’s.

On May 5, 2018, Golovkin fought Saul “Canelo” Alvarez and the fight ended in a Split Draw.

On September 15, 2018, Golovkin fought “Canelo” for the second time and lost by Majority Decision.

“Canelo”, holds the Undisputed WBA/WBC/WBO/IBF Super Middleweight titles and has a record of 57 wins, 2 losses, 2 draws, with 39 KO’s.

II. ANALYSIS

1. Pursuant rule C.14. **Rules Familiarity**. Each boxer, promoter, manager, and boxer’s agent are under the obligation to know and be familiar with all Association rules, including, but not limited to, those regarding time periods concerning obligations to defend, compete for a title, and for Special Permits. If a champion fails to comply with any rule of the Association, the Chairman of the Committee may declare his title vacant. Likewise, failure by an official contender to comply with any of these rules can result in removal by the Chairman of recognition as official contender.

2. Pursuant rule C. 19. **Unified Title Defense**. A holder of a unified title is subject to all rule's requirements, including those regarding mandatory defense. In the intermediate period between the mandatory defenses, a Unified Champion will be able to defend his title against any opponent chosen from the official ratings list of the Association, or of the organizations recognized and with the approval of those organizations. If the defense is against someone other than the Association's Mandatory Contender, approval must be obtained through a Special Permit.
3. Pursuant rule C 46. **Special Permits**. Strict application of these rules may be suspended or modified when the Association deems them justified in its sole discretion to accommodate special circumstances, to unify championships or to establish a Super Championship. In such cases, the Association will consider a request for Special Permit (or Exception) for any reasons including, but not limited to, the following:
 - b) To fight for a title in a different weight division for the Association or for another sanctioning body.
4. Pursuant rule C 48. **Special Permit Fee**. A request for special permit must be accompanied by payment to the Association of a non-refundable fee set out in the Appendix D schedule
5. Pursuant rule C 9. **Single Title**. An Association Champion can have only one world title in one division at the same time. If a World Champion wishes to fight for a title in another division, he must apply in writing to the Championships Committee for approval and must present a signed document undertaking that, in the event he wins the fight and obtains the other title, within five (5) days of the fight he will choose the title he wishes to retain and relinquish the other title. Failure to comply with any of these provisions is sufficient cause for the Championships Committee to withdraw recognition from him of either title or both titles. Champion.

III. DECISION

The World Championships Committee resolves as follows:

1. Approve the Special Permit requested by Gennadiy Golovkin to fight Saul "Canelo" Alvarez on September 17, 2022, at the T Mobile Arena, Las Vegas, Nevada.
2. Should Golovkin win the fight he will have five (5) days (September 23, 2022) to inform this committee which title he wishes to keep and defend. Should he decide to keep his Middleweight title, he will have 120 days to defend the title against the mandatory challenger and champion, Erislandy Lara.

3. Should Golovkin lose the fight, he will have 120 to defend his title against the mandatory contender of the Middleweight division, WBA champion Erislandy Lara.
4. The WBA will no grant any other Special Permit.
5. This resolution supersedes any previous one on this matter

Date: July 15, 2022

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carlos Chavez', with a stylized flourish at the end.

*Carlos Chavez
Championship Committee
Chairman*