

WORLD BOXING ASSOCIATION

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Resolution No. 202404241208 WBA Championships Committee

Terence Crawford-Super Welterweight Division April 24, 2024

I. <u>REQUEST</u>

On April 24, 2024, Harrison Whitman ("Whitman"), on behalf of WBA Welterweight Super Champion Terence Crawford ("Crawford"), requested that the WBA grant a special permit to sanction a Super Welterweight division bout for the WBA title between Crawford and the WBA Super Welterweight World Champion Israil Madrimov ("Madrimov") on August 3, 2024, in Los Angeles, California, USA.

Whitman based their request on Crawford's performance and accomplishments in the WBA, wining the Undisputed Welterweight World Championship against Errol Spence Jr, ("Spence") on July 29, 2023.

II. <u>BACKGROUND</u>

- A. Crawford holds a professional record of 40-0-0 with thirty-one (31) knockouts.
- B. Crawford is a three (3) division world champion and has been undisputed champion at Super Lightweight and Welterweight.
- C. For more than three (3) years, Crawford has held the pound per pound #1 status

III. ANALYSIS

- A. The WBA may modify the periods for mandatory defenses for good cause, either in response to a request for a Special Permit, or on its own initiative. WBA Rule C.16.
- B. The WBA may modify or suspend the strict application of these rules when the WBA deems them justified in its sole discretion to accommodate special circumstances. WBA Rule C.46. Those reasons include to "engage in an optional title defense," to "engage in a bout of recognized".

importance and significance for the boxing world," or to "extend or otherwise modify a mandatory defense period." WBA Rule C.46.a, e and g.

- C. 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.
- D. Boxers and promoters are obligated to "know and be familiar with all Association rules," including those "for Special Permits." WBA Rule C.14.

IV. DECISION

- A. Based upon the above-mentioned Rules, the WBA has express authority to modify applicable defense periods and otherwise suspend application of various rules under a special permit.
- B. Crawford Special Permit Request is conditionally granted subject to his compliance with all other WBA rules, regulations, payment of all applicable fees and the following conditions:
 - 1. The winner of Crawford / Madrimov will be name WBA Super Welterweight Champion. If Crawford is declared the winner, within five (5) days of the fight he will choose the title he wishes to retain and relinquish the other title.
 - 2. Jermell Charlo ("Charlo") is the Super Welterweight division Champion in Recess and shall face the winner of Crawford/Madrimov or Madrimov if a draw.
 - 3. WBA #1 Super Welterweight world ranked Vergil Ortiz "Ortiz", is the division certified mandatory contender, Ortiz is authorized to fight for the Vacant Interim Super Welterweight Championship against former world champion Tim Tszyu, who holds a record of 24-1, 17Ko, and has enough merits to be included in the ratings.
 - 4. All other issues that may arise shall be resolved by the interpretation of WBA championship rules by the committee.
 - 5. This resolution supersedes any previous one on this matter.

Date: April 24, 2024

Carlo's Chavez Championship Committee Chairman