



WORLD BOXING ORGANIZATION

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Championship Committee

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Mr. Egis Klimas
Manager
WBO Bantamweight Champion John Riel Casimero

Re: Show Cause- WBO Bantamweight Champion John Riel Casimero

Dear Mr. Klimas:

Please be advised that on Tuesday, April 19, 2022, the WBO confirmed receipt of email correspondence from the British Boxing Board of Control (BBBofC) advising that supporting evidence was provided to the "BBBofC" regarding John Riel Casimero using a sauna in proximity to his scheduled WBO Bantamweight Mandatory Championship Contest against Paul Butler on Friday, April 22, 2022, at the Echo Arena, Liverpool, England, United Kingdom.

Per the British Boxing Board of Control, Casimero's actions are against the Board's medical guidelines and therefore, he will not be permitted to compete accordingly.

Furthermore, the "BBBofC" indicated that Casimero has completed two check weights since arriving in U.K. and these proceedings have shown an alarming reduction in weight of 10 pounds in only three days.

Lastly, the Board informed the WBO that this is not the first time Casimero has attempted rapid weight loss prior to a bout and is reported he attended the hospital due to the related effects.

Conversely, on December 11 and December 23, 2021, this Committee issued "Resolutions" setting forth specific conditions whereby Casimero must comply therewith, including but not limited to:

(i) in the event John Riel Casimero does not attend for any reason whatsoever the official weigh in for his bout against Butler, the WBO Bantamweight Championship Title will be declared "Vacant" "Ipso Facto."

(ii) in the event John Riel Casimero is injured or suffers an injury, refuses to fight, or is unavailable to participate, fight or engage for any reason whatsoever, the WBO

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Bantamweight Championship Title will be declared "Vacant" "Ipso Facto" and Casimero shall be rated in the WBO Bantamweight Ratings per ABC and WBO Rating Criteria.

(iii) the WBO Championship Committee reserves the right to issue any and all rulings necessary, helpful, and convenient to accomplish the purposes, policies and intent of the WBO Rules and serving the best interests in professional boxing, including those in the Bantamweight Division.

Moreover, we must stress that Casimero has not fulfilled a mandatory title defense obligation since his title acquisition on November 30, 2019. In other words, 2 years and four (4) months have transpired without Casimero discharging his mandatory obligation and therefore, Casimero is in clear violation of the WBO Regulations of World Championship Contests.

Therefore, considering the foregoing determination by the "BBBofC," the relevant conditions stated in this Committee's "Resolutions," and the facts stated herein, Casimero is hereby ordered to "Show Cause" within the next 48 hours as to why the "WBO" Bantamweight Championship Title shall not be declared "Vacant."

Failure to comply with this order will constitute waiver of any and all rights hereunder and with the Committee proceeding accordingly.

If you have any questions, please contact the WBO.

Yours truly,



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