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VIA EMAIL:

Mr. Eddie Hearn
Matchroom Boxing USA LLC,
28 Liberty Street, Suite 3020, 30th Floor,
New York, NY 10005

Re: WBO Super Middleweight Champion – Saul “Canelo” Alvarez

Dear Mr. Hearn:

Please be advised that on Saturday, May 7, 2022, the WBO Super Middleweight (168 lbs) Champion Saul “Canelo” Alvarez will be challenging the WBA Light Heavyweight (175 lbs) Champion Dmitrii Bivol at the T-Mobile Arena in Las Vegas, Nevada, United States of America.

As you are aware, per Canelo Alvarez’s status as WBO Champion, he is bound by the WBO Regulations of World Championship Contests¹. Furthermore, the Alvarez/Bivol bout is a Non-WBO Championship Contest, and therefore, Section 15 of our governing regulations triggers and provides, in relevant as follows:

SECTION 15. NON-CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHTS or NON-WBO CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHTS

- (a) *A WBO champions shall not participate in a non-championship fight that is not a WBO Championship without the prior authorization of the WBO World Championship Committee. This authorization shall be subject to such conditions as the WBO World Championship Committee determines. In addition, this authorization will be granted only on the condition that the WBO Champion pay a fee to the WBO that is the equivalent of the amount that he WBO Champion would have paid to the WBO if the non-championship fight were conducted as a WBO Championship fight.*
- (c) *A WBO Champion who wins a non-WBO Championship in a weight class that is different than the weight class in which he holds his WBO Championship, must decide within 10 days of the non-WBO Championship which title in which weight he will retain. No WBO*

¹ See, Section 35 (f) of the Regulations of World Championship Contests

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Champion may hold a non-WBO Championship in a weight class that is different from the weight class of his WBO Championship.

Conversely, be advised that if Canelo Alvarez losses his bout against Dmitrii Bivol his WBO Super Middleweight (168 lbs) Championship will be declared "Vacant" "Ipso Facto." Whereas if, Canelo Alvarez defeats Bivol he must decide within 10 days thereafter which title in which weight division he will retain.

Lastly, the WBO World Championship Committee reserves its right to issue any further rulings deem necessary, helpful, and convenient to accomplish the purposes, policies, and intent of the WBO Regulations of World Championship Contests, including but not limited to serving the best interests in the WBO Super Middleweight Division.

In closing, the WBO wishes Canelo Alvarez, Team Canelo, and Matchroom all the best in the upcoming event. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call the WBO.

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Luis Batista Salas".

Cc: Francisco "Paco" Valcarcel, Esq./President
Shaun Palmer/Matchroom Boxing
Greg Smith, Esq./Team Canelo Alvarez

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