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**PRESIDENT
GILBERTO JESUS MENDOZA**

**Resolution No. 202409300908
WBA Championships Committee
*Super Featherweight Division
September 30, 2024***

I. REQUEST

On September 13, 2024, Noxcuse Boxing Promotions (“Noxcuse”) on behalf of WBA Super Featherweight World Champion, Lamont Roach Jr, (“Roach”), requested that the WBA grant a special permit to move up in weight and challenge WBA Lightweight World Champion Gervonta Davis (“Davis”), on December 14, 2024.

The WBA provided notice of Roach request to Eduard Kravtsov (“Kravtsov”) representing mandatory contender Albert Batyrgaziev (“Batyrgaziev”) for comments. The WBA received comments in opposition to the request from Batyrgaziev.

Batyrgaziev’s based his opposition on the previous WBA mandatory negotiation notification that identified the timeline for Batyrgaziev to face Roach as his mandatory.

II. BACKGROUND

- A. Lamont Roach holds a 25-1-1 record with ten (10) knockouts.
- B. On December 18, 2021, Roach won the WBA NABA Super Featherweight title by unanimous decision in ten (10) rounds over Rene Alvarado in San Antonio, Texas, USA.
- C. On July 16, 2022, Roach, ranked WBA #4 fought against WBA #3 world ranked Angel Rodriguez on a bout sanction as Final Eliminator for the mandatory position in the Super Featherweight division. Roach won by unanimous decision in twelve (12) rounds and became the Super Featherweight mandatory contender.
- D. On November 25, 2023, Roach challenges the WBA Super Featherweight World Champion Hector Garcia in Las Vegas, Nevada, USA. Roach won by split decision in twelve (12) rounds and became the WBA Super Featherweight World Champion.
- E. On June 28, 2024, Roach successfully made his first title title defense winning by TKO in eight (8) rounds against Feargal McCrory in Washington D.C., USA.

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. Roach’s 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:

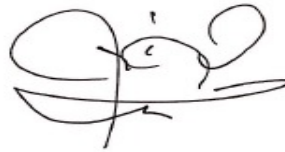
1. If Roach is declared the winner of the bout against Davis, he must notify the WBA Championship Committee within five (5) days what title he will keep.
2. If Roach is declared the loser of the bout against Davis and he wants to continue in the Super Featherweight division, he must face the mandatory contender of the division within one hundred twenty (120) days from said bout.
3. Batyrgaziev is authorized to defend the WBA Interim title against an opponent approved by Championships Committee.

C. No other permit will be granted until a single champion in the Super Featherweight division is determined.

D. All other issues that may arise shall be resolved by the interpretation of WBA championship rules by the committee.

E. This resolution supersedes any previous resolution.

Date: September 30, 2024

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Carlos Chavez', written in a cursive style.

Carlos Chavez
Championship Committee Chairman