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RE: Resolution Clarifying WBA Super Welterweight Division

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find Resolution No. 201604081212 dated April 8, 2016, clarifying the Super Welterweight Division.

If you have any questions and/or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

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# WORLD BOXING ASSOCIATION

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## Resolution No. 201604081212 WBA Championships Committee

Clarification of Super Welterweight Division April 8, 2016

## I. <u>BACKGROUND</u>

On June 8, 2013, Lara Erislandy ("Erislandy"), won the WBA Interim Super Welterweight title via TKO over Alfredo Angulo in Carson California.

On December 7, 2013, after defeating Austin Trout via unanimous decision, Erislandy became Champion of the Division, and has successfully defended the title on four (4) occasions including the March 12, 2014 defeat of Ishe Smith via unanimous decision in San Antonio, Texas.

On May 21, 2016, Erislandy is scheduled to make his fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) defense of the title against WBA # 15 ranked Vanes Martirosyn ("Martirosyn") in Houston, Texas.

The WBA Interim Champion of the division, Jack Culcay ("Culcay"), won the title on May 9, 2015 by defeating Maurice Weber via unanimous decision in Frankfurt, Germany. Culcay is scheduled to face WBA #13 ranked Jean Carlos Prada ("Prada") in Potsdam, Germany on April 9, 2016.

## II. ANALYSIS

- A. Pursuant to WBA Rule C.18, the President and the WBA Championships Committee, under special circumstances, may recognize any boxer as a Super Champion. The WBA considers Erislandy's career achievements and exceptional boxing record such a circumstance.
- B. The appointment of Erislandy as Super Champion will not unduly burden the remaining ranked contenders and will permit activity in the division.

### III. DECISION

- 1. The President and the WBA Championships Committee, after considering all relevant information, hereby names Erislandy Super Champion of the division subject and conditioned on prevailing in his May 21, 2016 bout against Martirosyn.
- 2. In light of Erislandy's promotion to Super Champion referenced above, Culcay's bout against Prada shall determine the champion of the division to take effect after May 21, 2016.
- 3. If Martirosyn is victorious in the May 21, 2016 bout against Erislandy, he must immediately face the winner of the Culcay/Prada bout to determine the champion of the division.
- 4. The WBA sanction fee for Erislandy's purses while Super Champion will be three percent (3%) of the gross amount declared in the bout agreement. All other fees and charges will be pursuant to applicable WBA rules.
- 5. All other issues that may arise shall be resolved by the interpretation of WBA Championship Rules by the committee.

Date April 08, 2016

Gilberto Jesus Mendoza, Jr. Championship Committee Chairman

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