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Via Email:

Mr. Vadim Kornilov
Manager

Re: Interim Medical Certification-WBO World Light Heavyweight Champion Dmitry Bivol

Dear Mr. Kornilov:

We are aware that the fighter, Dmitry Bivol, underwent a back surgery as he posted in his social media account the eight (8) of August, of 2025.¹ We understand he has been dealing with a back injury for 10 years, and following doctors advice he took the surgery. Implicating he will be out of action due to the recovery the surgery generates.²

The WBO wishes to express its sincere understanding of the difficult circumstances Mr. Bivol is currently facing. His dedication, discipline, and sportsmanship have made him an exemplary champion, and his career stands as a testament to the highest ideals of boxing. The WBO recognizes the sacrifices he has made for the sport and values the prestige he has brought to the Light Heavyweight Division.

These procedures are not intended to diminish his personal situation, but rather to uphold the integrity of the championships in a manner that is fair to all. While such guidelines may appear strict, they are necessary to ensure transparency and consistency. Above all, the WBO extends its best wishes for a full and swift recovery, and looks forward to the day when Mr. Bivol can once again showcase his extraordinary skills in the ring.

¹ The news was posted on Dmitry Bivol Instagram Profile (bivol_d)

² See, Section (f) of the WBO Regulations of World Championship Contests, which governs the maximum allowable term for recovery, which shall not in total exceed 180 days.

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Therefore, based on the foregoing, Mr. Bivol is hereby ordered to submit in writing to the WBO, within ten (10) days upon notice of this letter, a detailed medical explanation of his injury, findings, recovery prognosis, and his physician's opinion as to when will he be physically and medically cleared to compete, and return to active competition. Failure to comply with this order will result in Mr. Bivol waiving all rights herunder and with the committee proceedings per WBO regulations of World Championship Contests.

Lastly, the WBO World Championship Committee reserves its right to issue all rulings deemed necessary, helpful, and convenient to accomplish the purposes, policies, and intent of the WBO Rules and Regulations of World Championship Contests, including serving the best interests of boxing and its WBO Light Heavyweight Division.

Yours truly,

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