

Split-T Management's Teofimo Lopez Dominates Vasiliy Lomachenko to become Undisputed Lightweight Champion of the World

NEW YORK (OCTOBER 18, 2020)—Split-T Management's IBF Lightweight World Champion Teofimo Lopez became the youngest undisputed champion in the four-belt era by dominating the Pound-for-Pound number-one fighter in the world, Vasiliy Lomachenko over 12-rounds to add the WBC Franchise; WBA and WBO Lightweight world titles in a fight that took place at the MGM Conference Center, AKA "The Bubble" on Saturday night in Las Vegas.

Lopez raced out to an early lead as he set the tone by using a sharp jab, and precision right hands to the body. His offense made Lomachenko very wary to have any aggression of his own as punch stats showed that Lomachenko only threw 58 total punches over the first half of the fight. Lopez continued working behind a nice jab that set up some blistering power shots. Lopez put on a boxing display and beat Lomachenko at his own game.

Feeling a sense of desperation, Lomachenko started to up his pace over the 2nd half of the fight. That led to some good exchanges between the two combatants.

Despite being headbutted that caused a cut over his right eye, Lopez was in control and closed the show in round 12 as he landed a fight high 50 punches in round 12.

Lopez won by scores of 119-109, 117-111 and 116-112 to capture the belts.

Said Lopez, "I had to dig deep, man. I'm thankful. I'm grateful. And each and every day, I take that in. I thank God first because I couldn't do it without him.

"I'm a fighter. I got to dig in deep. I knew he was coming. I didn't know if they had him up on the scorecards or not, and I love to fight. I can bang, too. I don't care, man. I'll take one to give one. That's what a true champion does. I find a way to win.

"You just got to keep pressuring him, press the gas, stick the jab and don't really give him that opportunity to set up. Every time he did want to throw, I had something ready for him."

"Teofimo was totally dominant, and Lomachenko had no answers for him. Boxing has a new king, and the sport will be better for it. Long live the King!" said Split-T Management's David McWater.

AUDIO: Teofimo Lopez Post Fight Press Conference

**VIDEO: Teofimo Lopez Post
Fight Press Conference**

**AUDIO: Lomachenko – Lopez
Media Roundtable Discussion
W/Joe Santoliquito, Adam
Abramowitz, Norm Frauenheim
and Stephen Edwards**

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Nearing Takeover: Split-T Management's Teofimo Lopez ready for Lomachenko tomorrow night in Las Vegas

NEW YORK (OCTOBER 16, 2020)—Tomorrow night at the MGM Grand “Bubble” in Las Vegas, IBF Lightweight world champion, Teofimo Lopez (15-0, 12 KOs) squares off with WBA/WBO/WBC Franchise world champion Vasiliy Lomachenko (14-1, 10 KOs) in the most anticipated bout of 2020.

Lopez is managed by Split-T Management and promoted by Top Rank.

The fight, which will be shown live on ESPN, ESPN Deportes and ESPN + (Prelims at 7:30 PM ET, with the main card beginning approx. at 10 PM) has been front and center in the minds of boxing fans from all over the world for nearly a year when Lopez won his title with a sensational 2nd round destruction of Richard Commey on December 14, 2020 at Madison Square Garden.

Lomachenko, who many have at the top of the Pound-for-Pound rankings, will be facing his toughest test, when he looks across the ring at the brash 23 year-old Brooklyn native in Lopez.

At Friday's weigh in, which was highlighted by a piercing stare-down, both fighters checked in at the lightweight limit of 135-pounds.

“Tomorrow night will be Teofimo's coming out party. It will be the culmination of all the hard work he and his father have put in over eighteen years. It has been an honor for me and the entire Split-T family to have worked with him these last

few years, and look forward to him being the youngest undisputed World Champion of the four belt era,” said David McWater of Split-T Management.

Teofimo Lopez Press Conference Quotes:

“Hard work pays off. Eighteen years in, and it’s just the beginning, You haven’t seen anything yet.”

“The Takeover is not just a phrase we throw out there. This is the part where I’m leading the new generation. Winning this is a stamp and a mark to put on for the new era.”

“Get your popcorn ready and just enjoy the show. It’s ‘The Takeover.’”

“A true champion can adapt to everything. It goes for both of us. He fought in arenas sold out. I fought in arenas sold out. My job and my thing are having all of these belts wrapped around me.”

Photos by Mikey Williams / Top Rank

Huge Month of October set for Split-T Management

NEW YORK (October 2, 2020) – Boxing’s premiere management company, Split-T Management will again be the busiest group in the month of October as 11 of it’s top performers will see action in high profile bouts over the biggest platforms in the sport.

On October 2nd, prized junior welterweight prospect Omar Rosario

(1-0) of Caguas, Puerto Rico looks for win number-two against Matt Gavers in Kissimmee, Florida on a card that will be televised live on Telemundo.

On October 3, former IBF Junior Welterweight world champion Ivan Baranchyk (20-1, 13 KOs) looks to get right back in title contention as he takes on Jose Zepeda (32-2, 25 KOs) in a bout that will headline an ESPN+ card in Las Vegas.

Also on that card will be the much anticipated pro debut of star amateur featherweight Haven Brady Jr. of Albany, Georgia. Brady will take on Gorwar Karyah (2-1, 2 KOs) in a four round bout.

On October 7th, Split-T Management fighters will be featured prominently on a ShoBox: The New Generation card on SHOWTIME as former U.S. Olympian and undefeated junior middleweight, Charles Conwell (12-0, 9 KOs) headlines a card against fellow undefeated Wendy Toussaint (12-0, 5 KOs) at the Mohegan Sun in Uncasville, Connecticut.

Also featured will be Conwell's brother Isaiah Steen (14-0, 11 KOs) in a super middleweight fight; Undefeated welterweight Janelson Bocachica (15-0, 10 KOs) taking on Nicklaus Flaz (9-1, 7 KOs). That night will also see the pro debut of highly acclaimed featherweight David Navarro.

On October 9th, super welterweight Kahshad Elliott makes his pro debut in Las Vegas and live on ESPN+

On October 17th, In what many are calling the most anticipated fight of the year, undefeated IBF Lightweight world champion Teofimo Lopez (15-0, 12KOs) takes on WBA/WBO world champion Vasily Loamachenko (14-1, 10 KOs) in a mouth watering bout from Las Vegas and will be televised live on ESPN.

Finally on October 23rd, two of Split-T Management's emerging

prospects in super middleweight Diego Pacheco (9-0, 7 KOs) and junior lightweight Otha Jones III (5-0, 2 KOs) will see action on a DAZN streamed card in Mexico City,

Video: Number-One Lightweight Contender Teofimo Lopez

Split-T Management's Teofimo Lopez Scores Explosive 2nd Round Stoppage over Richard Commey to Win IBF World Lightweight Title

NEW YORK (December 16, 2019)- This past Saturday night at Madison Square Garden, undefeated lightweight Teofimo Lopez had the whole boxing world buzzing as he scored an emphatic and explosive 2nd round knockout over Richard Commey to win the IBF World Lightweight championship.

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Lopez, a former Olympian from Honduras, is managed by Split-T

Management.

In round two. Lopez walked Commey into a powerful right hand that connected on Commey's face and sent the now-former world champion plummeting to the canvas. After trying to get up, the impact of the blow forced Commey to stumble back to the canvas. Commey showed a champions heart by beating referee David Fields' count, but the fight would only last a few seconds longer, as Lopez was all over Commey as he landed a plethora of hard power-shots that forced Fields to wave off the action at 1:13 of the 2nd frame.

"I think we both saw it. There were a lot of shots that were open. I just had to close the gap. Commey has a lot of experience, and I started working the jab a lot. I blocked his jab, and came with the over hand right, and just clipped him."

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With the win, Lopez is now in line to face pound-for-pound top fighter Vasilliy Lomachenko in the first part of 2020, in a fight that boxing fans are already salivating for.

"I'm at a loss for words right now. This is a dream come true," Lopez said. "{Commey} is a bad man. His shot could've done the same to me if he hit me with that shot.

"I am elated for Teofimo. He is now officially a star in the sport. These are the types of fights and outcomes we had envisioned for him when we signed him. At still just 22 years-old, this is just the beginning, and he will be at the top of the mountain for a long time to come," said David McWater, CEO of Split-T Management.

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Lopez is promoted by Top Rank

One Step Closer to Completing #TheTakeover Teofimo Lopez takes on Richard Commey for the IBF Lightweight Title on Saturday Night at Madison Square Garden

NEW YORK (December 13, 2019)- This Saturday night at Madison Square Garden, undefeated and number-one ranked lightweight, Teofimo Lopez will look to move one step closer to a completing #TheTakeover of the lightweight division when he takes on reigning IBF champion Richard Commey for the world title.

Lopez is managed by Split-T Management.

Lopez, who coined the hashtag #TheTakeover when he turned professional will be looking for his 1st world title against the tough and battle tested Commey on a card that will feature WBO Welterweight champion Terence Crawford taking on Egidijus Kavaliauskas.

“It’s a blessing. It’s a breathtaking moment. It’s just something I have to visualize and just know that, 22 years old, I have a great opportunity here to do a lot. I’m excited, man. What better way to finish off the year than fight in the Mecca of Boxing, Madison Square Garden, for my first world title, in New York? This is a moment right here,” Lopez said at Wednesday’s press conference.

“God didn’t bring us this far for nothing. I didn’t come out here just to talk my smack and not back it up. We’re gonna do what we have to do. Richard Commey is a {former} world

champion for a reason. And we know that it's going to be a great and exciting fight."

Lopez was 134.4 lbs at Friday's weigh-in. Comney was 134.2

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The fight will be televised live on ESPN at 9 PM ET