

With Title shot on the line, Lightweight Sensation Teofimo Lopez takes on Masayoshi Nakatani on Friday Night at The MGM National Harbor in Oxon Hill, Maryland

NEW YORK (July 18, 2019)—Boxing's hottest star, undefeated lightweight Teofimo Lopez takes what should be the last step towards securing a world title when he takes on Masayoshi Nakatani (18-0, 12 KOs) in the main event of a big card tomorrow night at the MGM National Harbor in Oxon Hill, Maryland.

The fight is an IBF Title Eliminator, will be streamed live on ESPN+ beginning at 10:00 ET. (The card begins at 6:30 PM ET on ESPN+).

With the win, Lopez will be set up for a fall showdown with IBF world champion Richard Commey.

Lopez of Brooklyn, New York has had a meteoric rise up the lightweight division as he has compiled a record of 13-0 with 11 knockouts.

The charismatic 21 year-old Lopez first must get through the undefeated visitor from Osaka, Japan.

Nakatani is the long-time OBPF Lightweight champion, who has cleaned out the best fighters in Japan, and will be making his United States debut.

"Training camp was great this time around, and I just loved how everything was put to schedule," said Lopez, who is coming

off a 5th round stoppage over Edis Tatli on April 20th at Madison Square Garden.

“Nakatani is no pushover, and I know he’s going to come and try to win this fight. He’s undefeated, and is a lot taller than me so he has the advantage with his reach. I trust my coach and my team that our game plan is going to work, and I see us knocking Nakatani out before 12 rounds.”

“A win for me will lead us to become the mandatory challenger to face the IBF World Champion Richard Commey.

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

Photo by Mikey Williams / Top Rank

Teofimo Lopez continues Takeover with stoppage over Tatli at Madison Square Garden

NEW YORK (April 22, 2019) -Hot lightweight contender Teofimo Lopez continued to be the most talked about fighter in the sport of boxing as he knocked out European champion Edis Tatli in the 5th round of their bout at Madison Square Garden.

With the win, Lopez (13-0, 11 KOs) retained the NABF Lightweight title, and moved one-step closer to a world title opportunity.

Lopez controlled the fight from the opening bell as he showed

off superior boxing skills, and with each moment started land power shots with more authority.

In round five, Lopez landed a thudding right to the body that sent Tatli down for the count of ten at 1:32.

It was the first time in the 34-fight career that Tatli, who is a former world title challenger has been stopped.

The fight, which was the co-feature the Terence Crawford – Amir Khan title clash, further made the case for Lopez as being the top lightweight contender in boxing, and that a title shot could come as early as this Summer.

“I didn’t have the best camp, but I did what I needed to do and came out victorious,” Lopez said. “I knew I was going to get him with a body shot. I softened him up and finished him.

“I want a world title shot next. That’s what I want. We promised to take over the show, and once again, I took it over.”

Undefeated Lightweight Sensation Teofimo Lopez brings #TheTakeover to Pay- Per-View

NEW YORK (April 19, 2019)—Tomorrow night, undefeated lightweight sensation, Teofimo Lopez (12-0, 10 KOs) continues his quest towards a world championship as he takes on highly-regarded European champion Edis Tatli (31-2, 10 KOs) in the 12-round co-feature of the highly anticipated Terence Crawford

– Amir Khan Pay-Per-View card at Madison Square Garden.

The fight will be contested for the NABF Lightweight title, which is held by Lopez.

Lopez, the 2016 Olympian representing Honduras, has risen through the lightweight division at a meteoric rate as he scored 10 sensational knockouts in his 12 wins.

Saturday night will be the next progression as he is the chief support bout on a major pay-per-view card in the world's most famous arena.

This will be the 5th appearance for Lopez at the Garden property (two fights in the big arena and two in the theater), and with a win, a Summer world title fight could be on the agenda.

In Tatli, Lopez is facing a tough and durable fighter, who has a record of 31-2 with 10 knockouts. Those two losses were by majority and split decisions. Tatli has competed for the lightweight world title and has held the European title for most of the last half-decade.

Lopez was 135 pounds and Tatli was 134.8 lbs at Friday's weigh-in

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

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Teofimo Lopez Explosive Again In 7th Round Stoppage Over Diego Magdaleno

NEW YORK (February 4, 2019)- On a night with three world title fights, it was boxing's hottest star that stole the show at The Ford Center at The Star in Frisco, Texas, as Teofimo Lopez bloodied, battered, beat up and knocked out former two-time world title challenger Diego Magdaleno in the 7th round of their NABA/NABF/USBA Lightweight Title bout.

Lopez's work began to show as early as round two, when his power punching opened up a cut on the bridge of Magdaleno's nose. Lopez continued to pound away on Magdaleno. Soon after, Magdaleno's face was a bloody mess as a result of vicious shots landed by Lopez.

In round six, a powerful left hook finally sent Magdaleno to the canvas. Most who saw the fight felt the contest should have been halted there. Lopez landed two devastating left hooks that put out Magdaleno in the 7th frame, and the fight was stopped at 1:08.

"I take nothing away from Diego Magdaleno. We picked our shots, and we knew that in the later rounds, he'd drown in those deep waters," Lopez said. "As the competition gets tougher, you will see more of what I can do. I dissected him like a surgeon."

Lopez took a major leap into securing a major fight in his next bout.

"I think Teofimo has clearly proven that he's not just a prospect or a contender. He is a world champ right now, and the only thing that is missing is the belt," said David McWater of Split-T Management.

THE TAKEOVER CONTINUES TONIGHT IN TEXAS AS TEOFIMO LOPEZ TAKES ON FORMER WORLD TITLE CHALLENGER DIEGO MAGDALENO

NEW YORK (February 2, 2019)- Tonight, boxing's hottest star, undefeated lightweight Teofimo Lopez (11-0, 9 KOs) continues his "Takeover" when he takes on former two-time world title challenger Diego Magdaleno (31-2, 13 KOs) in a ten-round lightweight bout at Ford Center at the Star, the practice home of the Dallas Cowboys in Frisco, Texas.

The fight, which is for the USBA, NABA and NABF Lightweight titles, will air live on ESPN+ at midnight E.T. and will precede that highly anticipated WBO Light heavyweight Title rematch between Eleider Alvarez and Sergey Kovalev.

Lopez of Brooklyn, NY was the ESPN 2018 Prospect of the Year, has built his lofty reputation with explosive knockout victories over the likes of Vitor Jones Freitas, William Silva and Mason Menard, Those three had a combined record of 73-5. Lopez now looks to take the next progressive step up the ladder as he fights the battle-tested Magdaleno.

Lopez weighed 134.8 lbs, while Magdaleno was 134.7 lbs.

"I am extremely proud, and grateful that I can be the co-feature for a huge card like this. Fighting in Dallas and where the Cowboys practice at, shows us we're that much closer to bigger and better things," said Lopez.

“A win will definitely let everyone know that in 2019 we’re fighting for the world title.”

“You can expect a great and entertaining fight along with a celebration that will go viral”

Said David McWater of Split-T Management, “I am like everyone else, I can’t wait to see what he does tonight.”

Lopez is promoted by Top Rank.

Video: Teofimo Lopez talks about his explosive KO over Mason Menard

Teofimo Lopez has star making performance in New York City

NEW YORK (December 10, 2018) -Top lightweight Teofimo Lopez scored an explosive 44-second knockout over Mason Menard this past Saturday night at The Hulu Theater at Madison Square Garden in a scheduled ten-round bout that was viewed by a massive audience on ESPN.

Lopez landed a crushing right hand that had Menard plummeting face-first on to the canvas, in what was the opening televised

bout on the Vasily Lomachenko – Jose Pedraza lightweight unification card.

Lopez is now the NABA, NABF and USBA Lightweight champion.

The knockout, was featured on ESPN SportCenter, and all over social media, took place on an event which was the 2nd highest rated boxing card on cable television this year

With the win, Lopez pushed his perfect mark to 11-0 with nine knockouts, and now he feels he is ready for anybody in the lightweight division.

“I knew he was a tough fighter. I knew he could fight,” Lopez said. “I wanted to test him, and I took a chance early in the fight. I know he trained hard, and he didn’t want it to go that way. But this is ‘The Takeover.’ ‘The Takeover’ has begun.

“In 2019, I will be a world champion. That’s a guarantee.”

“I put an exclamation point that I am no longer a prospect, and now it’s on to the contenders, and moving up the rankings. In 2019 you will see me fight for a world title.”

Said Lopez manger, David McWater of Split T Management, “He’s just never stops surprising me. Just when you think he can’t do better than his last fight he does something even more amazing. It’s been a generation since boxing saw a young fighter like this”

Teofimo Lopez takes on Mason

Menard This Saturday at The Hulu Theater at Madison Square Garden and Live on ESPN

NEW YORK (December 5, 2018) -Boxing's top prospect and world ranked lightweight, Teofimo Lopez will be back in the spotlight when he takes on the battle-tested Mason Menard at The Hulu Theater at Madison Square Garden.

The scheduled 10-round bout will be seen live on ESPN as a support bout to the lightweight unification battle between Vasyl Lomachenko and Jose Pedraza.

Lopez and Menard will vie for the coveted and vacant NABF title.

Lopez, who now resides in Las Vegas, returns to his birth city as the 21 year-old was born in Brooklyn, will look to continue the momentum that he started to gather after taking out William Silva on July 14th on ESPN.

That win upped his mark to 10-0 with eight knockouts, and made him a world-ranked fighter as he is now rated #11 by the WBA and #14 by the WBO.

In Menard, he will be facing an opponent who has a terrific mark of 34-3 with 24 knockouts. Menard is no stranger to taking out prospects as he has wins over Bahodir Mamadjonov (19-2) and Eudy Bernardo (21-0).

"I am more than ready for this fight and super excited that I'm back in my hometown fighting for 3 belts. It's #TheTakeover come Saturday night! The celebration after the win will be one to talk about," said Lopez.

“He’s the most exciting prospect in boxing, and he loves to turn it up at the garden- I’m expecting quite a show,” said David McWater of Split-T Management.

Lopez is promoted by Top Rank.

No Limit Mindset LLC. Fighters Kalvin Henderson & Mason Menard poised for big weekend fights

Beverly Hills, Calif. (December 4, 2018) – Two members of the No Limit Mindset LLC. Management stable will be in action in big bouts on the East Coast on Friday and Saturday respectively.

Friday night at the 2300 Arena in Philadelphia, undefeated super middleweight, Kalvin “Hot Sauce” Henderson takes on Brandon Robinson in a ten-round main event.

Saturday night at The Hulu Theater, lightweight Mason Menard takes on undefeated prospect Teofimo Lopez in a bout that that will be seen live on ESPN.

Henderson (10-0, 6 KOs) of Fort Worth, Texas will be taking a step up in competition as he travels to the hometown of Robinson, who himself has won 11 straight bouts.

“Feeling strong, hungry, and excited to put on a show this Friday, December 7th. Training camp was rough like its supposed to be but we’re primed and ready to knock. Philly is about to feel all this heat,” said Henderson

Menard of Rayne, Louisiana, has an impressive mark of 34-3 with 24 knockouts, plans to use his experience against one of the top prospects in the lightweight division. With a win, Menard would re-stake his claim as one of the top contenders in the weight class.

“It’s fight week. I’m feeling real good. Had one of my best camps ever. I’m prepared. I’m ready. It’s go time! All the hard work will pay off come December 8th on ESPN!” said Menard.

“This is a big week for No Limit Mindset! Both of my fighters are showing what they are made of by taking these types of fights against top level fighters on the biggest stage! I am excited to be in Philadelphia to watch Calvin Henderson fight in another man’s hometown; then the next night at Madison Square Garden in New York City for Mason Menard on ESPN! This is what boxing is all about, taking calculated risks and coming out on top,” Said Shane Shapiro of No Limit Mindset LLC.

For more information on No Limit Mindset, LLC, contact:

Split-T Management goes 6 for 6 this past weekend

New York, NY (July 18, 2018)–It was a perfect weekend for Split-T Management, as six members of Boxing’s deepest management stable remained undefeated with impressive victories.

Teofimo Lopez announced himself to the lightweight division with an impressive 6th round stoppage over William Silva.

The bout, which was the co-feature bout on ESPN, took place on Saturday night at The Lakefront Arena in New Orleans.

Despite breaking his hand, Lopez was dominating in taking out Silva, who came into the fight with a 25-1 record. Silva, who had never been knocked down in his career, hit the canvas three times, including the end which came 15 seconds into the 6th frame.

Lopez is now 10-0 with eight knockouts

2016 U.S. Olympian Charles Conwell (8-0, 6 KOs) was equally as impressive by stopping Travis Scott in the 2nd round of their junior middleweight bout.

In a bout which was supposed to be a step-up contest for Conwell, saw the undefeated Cleveland native land a perfect left hook to the body that sent Scott down for the ten-count in the 2nd stanza.

Undefeated and world ranked Erick De Leon showed guts and heart to win a 10-round unanimous decision over Adrian Young in a super featherweight bout.

DeLeon dislocated his shoulder when he fell in the 1st round, and then came back to dominate and win the remaining nine rounds, with final scores of 98-91 and 97-92 twice.

De Leon was able to fight on despite the severity of the shoulder injury which required hospitalization following the fight.

De Leon of Detroit remains undefeated at 18-0-1. Young Los Mochis, MEX falls to 25-5-2.

Also in New Orleans, super middleweight Tyler Howard of Crossville, Tennessee made it 15-0 with 10 knockouts by registering a 2nd round stoppage over Javier Frazier.

Raquel Miller remained undefeated by winning a six-round

unanimous decision over Tiffany Woodard in a middleweight bout. The fight took place at the Fairmont Hotel in Miller's hometown of San Francisco.

Miller won by shutout scores of 60-54 on all cards to raise her unblemished mark of to 7-0.

Anthony Barnes won a six-round majority decision over Dwayne Williams at The Motor City Casino in Barnes' hometown of Detroit.

Barnes is now 11-0.

"It was a great weekend for Split-T Management. I am proud of these six fighters. They all rose to the occasion, and stayed undefeated. It shows the type athletes that we manage, and we look forward to many more weekends like this and continued success for the future," said David McWater, CEO of Split-T Manager.

ABOUT SPLIT-T MANAGEMENT

Headed by David McWater, Split-T Management has amassed one of the top stables in boxing.

Their impressive roster includes:

World Rated Contenders

IBF Super Lightweight Mandatory Title Challenger Ivan Baranchyk

Welterweight "The New" Ray Robinson

Former Bantamweight Title Challenger Antonio Nieves

2016 Olympians

Lightweight Teofimo Lopez

Junior Middleweight Charles Conwell

Bantamweight Antonio Vargas

Undefeated Prospects

Heavyweights: Stephen Shaw, Marcus Carter, Yegor Plevako

Cruiserweights: Joshua Temple, "Mighty" Joe Jones

Light Heavyweights: Joseph Williams, Bortirali Mamajonov

Super Middleweights: Isiah Steen, DeAndre Ware, Isiah Jones, Anthony Barnes, Tyler Howard

Middleweights: Marquis Moore, Raquel Miller

Junior Middleweights: Ardreal Holmes, Hurshidbek Normatov, Fred Wilson, Jr.

Welterweight's Janelson Bocachica, Poindexter Knight, Mark Dawson, Boubacar Sylla, Brian Ceballo

Junior Lightweight: Erick De Leon