

Yonhhy Perez Says He Will Regroup, Decide Next Career Move

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April 26, 2011 (Orange, CA) - This past Saturday, Thompson Boxing Promotions' former IBF bantamweight champion Yonhhy "El Colombiano" Perez made a valiant attempt in the main event of SHOWTIME's Bantamweight Tournament: "Winner Takes All" when he went toe-to-toe with the now two-division world champion Vic "Raging Bull" Darchinyan.

The highly disappointed Perez, who suffered an arterial bleed because of an accidental head butt, was unable to continue on in the 12-round competition when the referee called the fight due to the severity of the cut. Explained ringside physician Doctor Paul Wallace, "One of his blood vessels had been cut and it was dripping directly into his eye. He gave no indication he wanted to stop."

Immediately following the stoppage, Perez offered, "I am disappointed that the fight ended this way. My head feels fine. I would have continued had the referee not called the fight."

Perez continued, "Now I will head back to Colombia, relax and regroup and then decide the next move in my career."

The Victorious Darchinyan commented, "He took big punches," Darchinyan said afterward. "I wanted to knock him out, but he is still a great fighter. It was a headbutt."

The fight will re-air tonight at 10:30 p.m. ET/PT on SHO EXTREME. The fight will also be available ON DEMAND beginning on Tuesday, April 26.

Opening the fight night, Flyweight Miguel Diaz (5-0, 3 KO's) remained unbeaten with a four round unanimous decision over Alejandro Solorio. Diaz, who was hurt in the first round by a hard body shot by Solorio (4-4, 3 KO's), steadily traded and dropped Solorio with a right hand on the third round. Solorio continued on to finish the fight where all three judges scored the bout 39-36 in favor of Diaz.

For more exciting fights, visit Thompson Boxing Promotions this Friday, April 29 when highly-regarded junior welterweight Mauricio "El Maestro" Herrera will try to extend his three fight winning streak as he battles veteran Cristian "Filoso" Favela in the main event of "New Blood" at the Doubletree Hotel in Ontario, California.

Also featured on this seven bout card will be Alberto "Baby Dynamite" Herrera, and unbeatens Abraham "Chamaco" Lopez and Jonathan "Lil' Thund'r" Arellano.

Tickets for "NEW BLOOD" are priced at \$75, \$45, and \$30. They are available now and may be purchased by calling [714-935-0900](tel:714-935-0900).