

## **Shumenov To Defend Title Vs. Danny Santiago on July 29**

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### **World Light Heavyweight Champion Beibut Shumenov**

#### **Makes third title defense July 29 in Las Vegas**

#### **'Fire & Fury' on Solo Boxeo Tecate show live at South Point Hotel Casino**

LAS VEGAS (June 22, 2011) – KZ Event Productions announced today that World Boxing Association/International Boxing Association Light Heavyweight World Champion Beibut Shumenov will make his third title defense July 29, showcased on TeleFutura's Solo Boxeo Tecate show, live from South Point Hotel Casino in Las Vegas.

"Fire & Fury," headlined by the WBA/IBA championship showdown between Shumenov (11-1, 7 KOs) and challenger Danny "The Bronx Bomber" Santiago, is being promoted by KZ Event Productions. Shumenov and his brother, Chingis, own and operate the Las Vegas-based KZ Event Productions.

Shumenov (11-1, 7 KOs), the 2004 Kazakhstan Olympian who is now fighting out of Las Vegas, set a light heavyweight record for capturing a world title in the fewest career fights, 10, when he won (Jan. 10, 2010) a 12-round decision against Gabriel Campillo in Las Vegas. Shumenov has successfully defended his WBA/IBA titles twice against No. 1 mandatory challenger Viacheslav Uzelkov (UDECI2) and three-time world champion William Joppy (KO6) last January in Shymkent, Kazakhstan.

"I'm very excited to be fighting in my adopted hometown, Las Vegas, where I won the world title," Shumenov said. "I've lived in Las Vegas for a few years and I've wanted to defend my title belts here since I first won them. I have a lot of respect for my opponent, Danny Santiago, who has a lot of experience in big fights. In addition to my world title fight, we'll also be showcasing world-class fighters, along with local Las Vegas favorites. This promotion will not only feature great boxing but Vegas-style entertainment, too.

"I'd like to thank Golden Boy, Don Chagrin, Guilty Boxing, TeleFutura's Solo Boxeo and our host venue, the beautiful South Point Hotel Casino. We're all working together to make this a memorable night for everyone there and those fans watching on television."

WBA #15 ranked Santiago (31-4-1, 19), fighting out of Ocala, Florida, is a two-time world title challenger. His signature victory was a fourth-round technical knockout of 30-1 Elvir Muriqi. Santiago was also featured on the third season of The Contender reality television series.

"Fire & Fury" is being presented by KZ Event Productions in association with Golden Boy Promotions, Don Chagrin Promotions, Guilty Boxing, Solo Boxeo Tecate and South Point Hotel Casino.

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Tickets, starting at \$25.00, are available to purchase at South Point's box office, on line at [www.SouthPointEventCenter.com/tickets.php](http://www.SouthPointEventCenter.com/tickets.php), or by calling 1.702.797.8055.

Doors open at 5:30 PM/PT, first bout at 6:00 PM/PT, first TV bout at 8:30 PM/PT