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Richard Schaefer checked in with TSS about Oscar De Hoya's 4 PM PT presser at the MGM, the one that was held while undercard bouts for "The Moment" were going on.

Oscar said he wanted to hash it out with the CEO, after giving him a hug. What'd Schaefer think?

"Well we talked, and we've had conversations before, and we'll have further conversations, and we'll see what's gonna happen," he said. "And I really have no other comments, because I really don't believe you do press conferences and you talk in the media about whether you have issues...I just don't think that's the way to go, but we'll see what the next few weeks will bring."

Read into that what you will, friends. Thoughts on that situation at GB, and how you think it will play out?

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The Commish says:

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It doesn't sound good, doesn't sound promising. Word has it that Schaefer will soon bolt...that he may be joining someone like Leonard Ellerbe or Al Haymon.

As Schaefer say, "We'll see what the next few weeks will bring."

-Randy G.

riverside says:

fire the sob, just saying, been there done that as long as you have the ability to step in and take care of what needs to be done?, until you hire a competent person to take over. Dick Schaefer Knows Oscar has been in re-hab before and probably will again, where is the loyalty Oscar has shown to him, it's more but ethics than the money, Oscar has given him an open open paycheck. id fire the sob and have Gomez take over tomorrow. The problem will bigger if you don't take care of it Now. so what if dick joins Al Haymon, Oscar can join top Rank and Cut them out. what you think?

Radam G says:

I'm riding shotgun with riverside. Everything is going the way that I predicted. Swizz Cheese makes me sneeze. _____! Holla!

deepwater2 says:

Swiss cheese doesn't need the job. He comes from a banking family. He only does this to rub shoulders with industry insiders and feel like a big cheese. Swiss cheese has nothing to do with boxing and listening to him ramble on at press conferences is annoying at the least. Oscar has to be positive at the press conference because Swiss cheese is still under contract. That contract will be put under pressure. Question? Can Swiss cheese have a banking position where he gets to ramble on at press conferences and put his ever growing mug on showtime? He likes the limelight and power . Money has nothing to do with it. Oscar found him and he can do it again.

EI Dude says:

I want to meet Oscar in person to shake his hand and tell him thank you for the hope that he has given not just me but for the entire world in believing that one day, we will see the breaking down of the barriers that have been dividing the sport that I also love. I have nothing but respect for Oscar De La Hoya and I admire all that he has done in and out of the ring of Boxing. The Boxing Legacy that Oscar left behind lives strong in the memories of all the fans. Life is a struggle but just like in Boxing we should never give up. Great men remind you of no one else and Oscar is a great man who has payed his dues.

EI Dude saying thank you.

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DaveB says:

Yes it is troubling that so many fighters are signed on with Al Haymon and not with Golden Boy. Even more troubling is the fact that Oscar seems surprised by it. I smell a rat. While I understand what Schaefer is saying I would like to see the walls torn down between Top Rank and Golden Boy and I think that is what should happen if Oscar wishes it so. Oscar seems sincere in his vision. I think it is a vision the fans want also.

Carmine Cas says:

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That's an interesting point, but Mayweather Promotions does not have a Nevada promotional license? Unless that was their plan all along...

Birddog says:

If you look at the picture, Richard has a smug smile and Oscar is condescending, now we know who is in charge. Somebody has to explain in plain English, how a brilliant ex banker can't see that as CEO his job was to protect his boss Oscar. I know the reasoning behind the decision to make GBP a tool for Senor Haymon giving them access to Haymon's fighters and the leverage he has with the various networks. Oscar is in a bad position, with his hat in his hand, and bended head, cos of what and who? Oscar provided a platform for Haymon's fighters without a promotional, giving cherry spots to guess who's fighter. Haymon, has all of the name fighters that have fought on GBP cards. Uh, oh! Then it was reported that Mayweather, Schaefer love each and again guess who else is involved "Big Al". Can a Mayweather, Haymon & Schaefer promotional team be far behind? Hmmmmm!

Maybe that explains the look on Schaefer's face.

dino da vinci says:

What's it they say about a picture?

Carmine Cas says:

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We will see, interestingly this is mentioned in the lawsuit brought by Kathy Duva against various parties in regards to Adonis Stevenson passing on the Kovalev fight to sign with Al Haymon and move to Showtime. This court case may end up being the best fight this calendar year and even if Duva does not prevail could end up providing some interesting insight in back room politics in the sport.

The Commish says:

Without knowing every single fact, and also knowing we are only hearing things that Oscar de la Hoya & Richard Schaefer want to say, it is tough to assess who did what to whom, who started it, over what did it start, can the rift be mended, is Oscar heading to join forces with Top Rank, is Schaefer going to be teaming up with \$\$\$May and Haymon and if so, when.

As you guys well realize, only time will tell. From the looks of it, that time is getting close.

-Randy G.