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WBC Super Bantamweight Championship

TOSHIAKI NISHIOKA vs. RAFAEL MÁRQUEZ

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LAS VEGAS, NEV. (Sept. 26, 2011) – East meets West when ***Top Rank Live!*** returns to Las Vegas this week with a world championship summit featuring World Boxing Council (WBC) super bantamweight champion

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of Japan
defending his title against México's two-division world champion

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. The Nishioka-Marquez world championship rumble will headline an exciting seven-bout card
This Saturday!

October 1

in the

Marquee Ballroom

at the

MGM Grand

and will be televised live in the U.S. and México on FOX Deportes, beginning at 9 p.m. ET.
WOWOW, which is celebrating its 20

th

year of broadcasting, will televise it in Japan. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. PT with the first fight
starting at 4:15 p.m. PT.

Promoted by Top Rank, in association with Teiken and Zanfer Promotions, remaining tickets,
priced at \$200, \$100 and \$50, can be purchased at the MGM Grand box office and online at www.ticketmaster.com

Nishioka (38-4-3, 24 KOs), of Tokyo, will be making his first appearance in Las Vegas since his
fourth-round knockout victory of Jose Alonso in 2006. Nishioka became the WBC's interim
super bantamweight champion in 2008 via his dominating unanimous decision victory over
Napapol Sor Rungvisai. The WBC soon elevated him to world champion and he has
successfully defended that title six times, five by knockout.

Márquez (40-6, 36 KO), of México City, captured the International Boxing Federation (IBF)
bantamweight title by knocking out undefeated defending champion Tim Austin in the eighth
round of their 2003 fight. Márquez successfully defended the title seven times during his four
year reign before vacating it to successfully challenge defending WBC super bantamweight
champion Israel Vazquez in 2007, stopping him in the seventh round of the first or their
memorable four-bout series.

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The co-main event will pit undefeated World Boxing Association (WBA) light flyweight champion **ROMAN GONZALEZ** (29-0, 24 KOs), of Managua, Nicaragua, defending his title against **OMAR SOTO** (22-8-1, 15 KOs), of Hidalgo, México.

The undercard will also feature local favorites

JESSE MAGDALANO

(5-0, 3 KOs), and

ANTHONY LENK

(12-1, 6 KOs), both of Las Vegas, in six-round super bantamweight and super lightweight battles, respectively.