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BOXING FANS INVITED TO LISTEN-IN LIVE! WLADIMIR KLITSCHKO / TONY THOMPSON EPIX MEDIA CONFERENCE CALL

***Today!* Thursday, June 28**

2:00 P.M. ET / 11:00 A.M. PT

NEW YORK (June 28, 2012) – EPIX (@EPIXsports) invites boxing fans from around the world to listen-in live!

WBA/WBO/IBF/IBO heavyweight champion **WLADIMIR KLITSCHKO** and his opponent, top-rated contender

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Y THOMPSON (#KlitschkoThompson), will host an international Media Conference Call

Today!

Thursday, June 28,

beginning at

2:00 p.m. ET / 11:00 a.m. PT

They will be discussing their upcoming world heavyweight championship rematch, which will take place Saturday, July 7, at the Stade de Suisse in Bern, Switzerland, and will be televised

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live in the U.S. exclusively on

EPIX,

the multiplatform premium entertainment service.

EpixHD.com

will stream the fight live as part of a

special free

trial offer for boxing fans. The telecast and the live stream will begin at 5:00 p.m. ET / 2:00 p.m. PT.

Joining Klitschko and Thompson on the call will be **Tom Loeffler**, Managing Director of K2 Promotions, Thompson's trainer and manager,

Barry Hunter

and

Jerry Vines,

respectively, and

Travis Pomposello

,
EPIX CCO and executive producer of EPIX Sports.

Though fans will not be able to ask questions on the call they will be able to listen-in live as media from around the world interview the fighters about their upcoming world title rumble which is less than 10 days away.

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Klitschko (57-3, 50 KOs), of Kiev, Ukraine, is a two-time world heavyweight champion. Wladimir began his first title reign in 2000 when he captured the WBO heavyweight title via a unanimous decision over defending champion Chris Byrd. Byrd suffered two knockdowns in that battle. Klitschko's two-year title reign included five successful defenses – all by knockout – before losing the belt to Corrie Sanders in 2003. Klitschko returned to the world championship

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throne in 2006, this time as IBF champion, when he dethroned Chris Byrd in a title rematch. This victory was even more emphatic than the first one with Klitschko stopping Byrd in the seventh round. Since that fight, Klitschko has taken on and defeated all comers while unifying the title with victories over WBO champion Sultan Ibragimov, and WBA champion David Haye. He enters this fight riding an eight-year, 15-bout winning streak. His most recent victory was a fourth-round knockout of former two-time world champion Jean Marc Mormeck, on March 3, which was televised live to the U.S. by EPIX.

Thompson (36-2, 24 KOs), from Washington, D.C., is a power-punching southpaw who is ready to give Klitschko his Bern notice when they meet again for the title. Thompson earned his first world title shot with Klitschko by stringing together an eight-year, 27-bout winning streak, which featured victories over top-rated contenders Luan Krasniqi, Timur Ibragimov, Dominick Guinn, and Vaughn Bean. Though unsuccessful in his challenge of Klitschko, Thompson gained valuable experience and a hunger for another world title fight. Since losing to Klitschko in 2008, Thompson has returned to the top of the IBF ratings by winning his five subsequent fights – all by knockout – including stoppages of Chazz Witherspoon and Owen Beck.