

Body Snatcher Lomachenko Beats 25-3 Ramirez in Pro Debut

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Vasyl Lomachenko knocked down Jose Ramirez at 1:50 of round one, and the Ukrainian didn't let up, in the second fight on the Top Rank/HBO PPV, topped by a Juan Manuel Marquez-Tim Bradley scrap.

Loma, the two time Olympic gold medalist, had to fend of Ramirez in the last part of the round but looked like an old pro in his first outing, at the Thomas and mack.

The 25-year-old lefty showed hand speed, an ability to move when needed, block, slip, change speeds on his shots, tie up when needing a break...lots to like here.

The Mexican, entering at 25-3, didn't come in awed, assuming the debuter would steamroll him. Loma (396-1 as an amateur) didn't look at all like he had to acclimate to the pro game in round three, though he had to work to win rounds.

Tell you what worked the best...a left to the solar plexus, coming from underneath, in round four. It sent Ramirez to the mat, and the ref said no mas, at 2:59, stopping his count at seven. He used the Mexican's aggression against him, finding an opening as Ramirez was rushing him.

The WBO international featherweight crown was his.

Post-fight, he told Max Kellerman that he wanted to give his best in his first outing, but that

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didn't happen. Max noted that he won a half dozen fights in the World Series of Boxing and didn't notch a KO, but the winner said his power showed on this night, because the pro style gloves allow him to close his fists. What about him vs. Rigondeaux, the Cuban? He said he'd need a couple more fights before taking on Rigo, because he respects Rigo's skills.

Seanie Monaghan of Long Island started off the TV portion of the card with action galore. He stopped Anthony Smith in the third round of a light heavyweight scrap. Seanie is strong, puts together punches in bunches, works off the jab, and loves his combo platters. Yes, sometimes his head stays stationary and maybe he won't have an easy time against the slick technicians. But we'd love to see him put his heart up against Julio Cesar Chavez' sometime down the line.

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Radam G says:

V Loma can fight. Wow! He is going break the record for the shortest amount of bouts to win a world title belt. He will beat Orlando Salido in his next bout for the WBO title belt. Holla!

Radam G says:

Y'all better know that it is lefty time, STILL! Holla!

Carmine Cas says:

Loma is nice, TR was smart in scouting and signing this kid. He has a lot of talent, and will beat Salido.

Shoulder Roll Defense says:

It is hard to tell how good Lomachenko is because Ramirez is just a journeyman. Did you notice how humble and passive Lomachenko was when Rigondeaux's name was brought up after the fight? Game recognizes game and he knows that Rigo is the truth!

brownsugar says:

Lomenchenko is so good he was adding in too many unnecessary moves for his limited opponent. Against more technical fighters he will look better.

The kid was trying to show all his moves to the fans..

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He just needs to take it down a notch and save it for guys like Rigondeaux...a fight I can't wait to see get made.

amayseng says:

Loma has all the tools necessary to be champion, for a long time.

Rigo would be a problem for anyone, no need to rush a fight with him so soon.

Radam G says:

BIG CONGRATS to A-Seng! Where da party at? He has fired up 2thou posts. Welcome to The Two-Thousand Club, sharp gentleman and boxing super-sharp PLAYA-PLAYA! You da MAN! The ladies are going to be coming after you so fastly, that you are need a supersize fan. Hehehe! Holla!

amayseng says:

Thanks for the shout out and kind words Radam G, I didnt realize I had got to 2g posts....