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### Kovalev-Agnew Press Conference Quotes and Photos

**Atlantic City, NJ:** Today amidst all the press about a potential fight with Adonis Stevenson, Sergey "Krusher" Kovalev (23-0-1, 21 KOs) faced the media and his opponent Cedric "L.O.W." Agnew (26-0-0, 13 KOs) at Caesars to discuss the fight in front of them Saturday night at the Ballroom at Boardwalk Hall and live on HBO *Boxing After Dark*.



### Agnew & Kovalev

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Main Events' CEO Kathy Duva started things off reminiscing about her experiences at Boardwalk Hall with the late great Arturo Gatti, "We are very pleased to be back here in Atlantic City, NJ. The last time we were at Boardwalk Hall was seven years ago when Arturo Gatti last fought at Boardwalk Hall against Alfonso Gomez. If these walls could talk... Now we have a fight worthy of the house that Gatti built. Ken Condon is the reason that boxing is in Atlantic City and it is wonderful to be here."

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Ken Condon, entertainment and sports consultant to Caesars AC said, "It is a pleasure to have Kathy and Main Events back in Atlantic City. It brings back a lot of great memories. She continues her commitment to Atlantic City boxing and so does Caesars. We are looking forward to a great weekend in Atlantic City. We are looking forward to welcoming Sergey and Cedric to Atlantic City. We have very few tickets left so I wouldn't wait until Saturday to try to get them because they will probably be sold out by then. We look forward to creating a great relationship with Sergey Kovalev and HBO going forward."



### Krusher Kovalev

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Duva also addressed questions about why Kovalev is fighting on HBO. She said, "Sergey Kovalev is fighting on HBO because it is the network of champions. HBO is the network that built each and every legendary fighter in the last 30 years. In the United States during the last 30 years no superstar has been built on any other network. Sergey's plan is to become a legend. That is why he is fighting on HBO."

Peter Nelson, director of programming, HBO Sports said, "We are very excited to have this event on HBO. We are always pleased to be back in Atlantic City. Boardwalk Hall is the home of many storied fights and Saturday we plan add another fight to that collection. These are the types of fighters HBO loves. It isn't easy to find people who will step up and fight Sergey. This is Sergey's debut on the network in a main event. We believe there is going to be a lot of action which will lead to big things down the road."

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Kathy Duva said it is usually difficult to find opponents for Sergey but it was not difficult with Cedric Agnew. She said, "On Saturday, Sergey will fight an undefeated fighter who asked for this fight. Clearly he has a lot of courage. I have always respected a fighter with that attitude."



### Cedric Agnew

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Cedric's promoter Malcolm Garrett of Garrett Promotions said, "We are ecstatic to be here. This is a fight this kid wanted. This is a fight he plans to win. We are glad that everyone in the media, and hopefully Kovalev, have overlooked him. I know Cedric can't wait for the fight to begin. Cedric has trained hard and is the hardest working fighter I have ever worked with."

Cedric "L.O.W." Agnew said, "Everyone who knows me knows I am very quiet. I would like to thank HBO for this opportunity and my team for helping me prepare for this fight. I am ready to go out there and show the world what I am capable of. And show the naysayers what I am capable of. There are always going to be naysayers out there and people who overlook me. I say nothing to them and I will keep doing what I am doing. Saturday I need to fight smart and always be the smartest fighter in the ring. Sergey is a pretty good fighter. He is a tough guy. He is a world champion. He earned that spot. Come Saturday night I will earn mine."

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