VLADIMIR TIKHONOV WANTS TO TEST ACES QUIGG, RIGO AND/OR DONAIRE

Vladimir Tikhonov, rated No 9 by the WBA, and No 13 by WBO, has put word out that he's ready, willing and more than able to rumble with the best and brightest in the super bantamweight division.

Scott Quigg, "let's get it on", he is calling the former WBA champion out, through promoter Dmitriy Salita.

Guillermo Rigondeaux, "I respect your skills but don't believe you are invincible", is Tikhonov's message for the Cuban sweet scientist.

Nonito Donaire, "If you take care of business Nov. 5 against Jessie Magdaleno then how about you step to the line against me,", said the 15-0 (8 KOs) Russian.

"Tikhonov is a big, strong super bantamweight who knows how to use his height, reach and power," Salita said of the southpaw pugilist tutored by Igor Shafer in St Petersburg, Russia. "Vladimir is very well schooled and wants to fight the best fighters in the division. Russia is producing lots of top notch fighters, contenders and world champions. I feel that Vladimir has the skills and experience to be the new face in the super bantamweight division!"

The 26 year-old Tikhonov got it done in his last outing against 40-4 Mikhail Krivolapov. Salita has proven himself to be judicious talent spotter, no surprise since he's been to the mountain top himself, as a standout at 140 pounds, with a 35-2-1 record at junior welterweight/welterweight. "This Russian is ready to rock and makes heads roll at super bantamweight," Salita said. "He can finish out this year with

VLADIMIR TIKHONOV MAKING PROGRESS UP THE RATINGS LADDER

Brooklyn, NY (June 15, 2016)— Russian Vladimir Tikhonov, a super bantamweight contender, is the latest signee to the Dmitriy Salita promotional slate. And it looks like the timing is right for the Brooklyner Salita, with word out that this Russian hitter is making his way up the ratings ladder.

Tikhonov (14-0 with 8 KOs) has entered the WBA world rankings at No. 13.

He turned pro in 2008, has fought once outside Russia, and Salita is looking to get him some more passport stamps.

A left-hander, Tikhonov is methodical and busy. He is active with his feet and can sting with both hands. Opponents need to be wary of him slipping punches in from underneath. He is ultra calm in the ring, gets in, gets off and gets out.

"Vladimir is a talented boxer who has lots of experience and potential to compete with the best in the world," said the Brooklyn based promoter, who is putting together an Aug. 19 show in Rochester, NY to be headlined by Jarrell Miller. "Tikhonov is world ranked now and I will be looking to land a significant fight for him in the near future. He wants the toughest tests, like Guillermo Rigondeaux (the WBA super bantam champion; Moises Flores holds their interim title), Scott Quigg and Nonito Donaire. He is yet another Russian

warrior, with fighting in his blood!"

Promoter Salita has climbed the mountain himself as a fighter, amassing a 35-2-1 mark as a professional within the welterweight class. He has kicked off successful fight series in NYC, and now Detroit, and word is spreading that his efforts as an effective promoter are informed by his having experienced what it's like to campaign in the ring. Salita is planning the aforementioned NY show, as well as a return to Detroit, for the third "Detroit Brawl."

"Salita Promotions is poised to have a very strong second half of 2016, and our athletes such as Tikhonov will keep on being featured on premium broadcast channels," Salita said. "Our stable is strong, and growing all the time!"