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ARES FIGHTING CHAMPIONSHIP ANNOUNCES THE SIGNATURE OF TOP-LEVEL FRENCH FIGHTERS

Dear members of the media,

ARES Fighting Championship is happy to announce the bolstering of its roster with the signatures of new fighters including former lightweight Mickael Lebout (19-10), welterweight Karl Amoussou (24-8) and heavyweight Malik Merad (24-16). French-Cameroonian professional boxer Hassan N'Dam and French Judoka Laetitia Blot have also chosen ARES FC to begin their MMA careers.

Mickael 'Ragnar' Lebout is a reference when it comes to French MMA. The UFC, Cage Warriors, M-1 and BAMMA veteran recently joined ARES FC as the league *"fits the objectives he has set up for himself"*.

Karl 'Psycho' Amoussou is arguably one of the most well-rounded French MMA fighters in the game. Winner of the Bellator welterweight tournament, the Cage Warriors, M-1 and Brave veteran recently expressed his motivation and *"bad intentions"* for his return to competitive MMA with ARES FC.

Malik Merad is considered as one of the best heavyweight finishers in Europe. Moving up to stacked heavyweight division, he will likely be challenging another recent ARES FC signature in the person of **Juan Adams**.

World-champion boxer **Hassan N'Dam** recently announced his decision to move into MMA through his signature with ARES FC. His professional boxing record (37-5) includes a middleweight WBA world championship in 2010 and in 2017. He was also middleweight WBO champion in 2012. Currently number 15 in the super-middleweights, N'Dam will probably transition into the welterweights for his first MMA bout.

Finally, ARES FC is also proud to welcome **Laetitia Blot**. French wrestling champion, French Judo champion & World Judo champion (team), she transitions to MMA having already made a name for herself in martial arts, both in France and abroad.

ARES FC Chairman, Robins Tchale-Watchou, states *“These signatures are a testimony to our ambition of bringing together the best available fighters in France. Our hope is to offer French fans an event of their own before the end of the year, provided that sanitary conditions be right at that time. With this in mind, we patiently await the guidelines soon to be delivered by the approved bodies.”*

About ARES:

ARES Fighting Championship is a professional Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) league created by Vivendi Sports, organizer of sports competitions. Present in Europe and in Africa, ARES Fighting Championship ambition is to become a leading MMA organization in these territories. ARES FC’s mission is also to offer a platform to talented young African fighters, giving them a chance to compete at international level.

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