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### Ahmed Amir eyes rematch with Cleiton "Predator" after BRAVE CF 41



Ahmed Amir in action during a bout

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Ahmed "The Butcher" Amir has a huge challenge in his upcoming BRAVE CF 41 fight. He will face Cian Cowley on the main card of BRAVE CF's return to Bahrain for the Kombat Kingdom series, on September 17th. But he has his eyes on a rematch with current Lightweight world champion Cleiton "Predator", who beat him in a controversial bout back at BRAVE CF 11.

Cleiton was making his debut in the fastest-growing organization in the world, and was able to beat Amir, but hadn't made weight before the bout, which has caused Ahmed to feel as if a rematch is his right. He will look to gain momentum against Cowley towards that fight.

"I'm a Lightweight fighter, and even though this bout against Cowley will be at Super Lightweight, my division is Lightweight. And the fight I want is that rematch with

Cleiton. I know I can beat him if we both make weight and I'm working every day to get that rematch", said Amir, who has refused to look past Cian, a dangerous striker and training partner of Conor McGregor.

"It will be a good fight, he has a lot of striking experience, but I can strike too. I'm not just a grappler or a wrestler. If he wants to strike, let's strike. If he wants to grapple, we'll grapple. I'm confident in my training and the work we do at KHK MMA, with the guidance of His Highness Shaikh Khaled, and under the tutelage of coach Eldar Eldarov".

Now representing Bahrain and KHK MMA, Amir's game has evolved tremendously. Usually known for his wrestling game, "The Butcher" has become a well-rounded fighter, with hard punches and leg kicks and his striking technique has come leaps and bounds and he was able to get the better of his last opponent even in the stand-up.

# Gaucha almost quit MMA before joining BRAVE CF

Champ Daniel Gaucha reveals he came close to quitting MMA before meteoric rise to BRAVE CF title

● Gaucha now reigns as the first-ever world champion in the Middleweight division

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Daniel Gaucha came very close to quitting the sport before joining BRAVE Combat Federation and having a meteoric rise to the top of the Middleweight division, where he now reigns as the first-ever world champion. Out of action for two years, he was already looking for alternative jobs when the call came to join BRAVE CF. And the rest, as they say, is history.

One of CM System's finest jewels, Daniel has dealt with injuries and said the family and friends support was instrumental for his rapid rise. After signing for BRAVE CF, he fought and defeated Bruno Assis at BRAVE CF 25, in Brazil. His victory was so devastating that he was awarded a title shot against Chad Hanekom. Gaucha can't contain the tears when he remembers the moment he learned he would fight for the BRAVE CF world championship.

"I was very happy, because for the longest time I thought



Daniel Gaucha in action during a bout

about quitting... (breaks down in tears). I feel very emotional about it, it's hard to hold back because, not only me, but a lot of people go through hard times. And sometimes people give up on their dreams. But I've always had help and support from my family, from my friends. From my coaches as well, always elevating me, saying that it would work out", said the champ, who remembers he felt left behind at times due to the success of teammates and his inactivity.

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Sometimes I felt I was behind, not behind, but left behind. I've never...in these two years I wasn't doing anything, and not to mention what I went through to get where I was. And I remember that when I won the belt, I felt as if it was a lesson to me. I was very close to calling it quits, work as security guard, or anything else. Before receiving this opportunity that changed my life within six months".

Now established as the world champion of BRAVE CF, Daniel has the biggest challenge of his

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career as he takes on top contender and Arab MMA legend Mohammad Fakhreddine in the main event of BRAVE CF 41, which takes place on September 17th, in Bahrain. The champ is confident of getting his hand raised again and counts on the rage from his time before BRAVE CF to earn one more victory.

"When I go in there, my rage, my anger of all the lost time, of all the difficult times, it comes back. I take that energy and put it in my hands and I go for the knockout. I'm a very chill person outside of the cage, but once someone else wants to take my things from me, I become someone else".

# Mohammad Fakhreddine's road to legendary status with the Arab world and BRAVE CF

● Fakhreddine takes on Gaucha in the main event of BRAVE CF 41

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Mohammad Fakhreddine started his professional MMA career back in 2012 and is recognized as a pioneer of the sport in the Middle East. "The Latest" gathered fans in the region thanks to his aggressive style and consistent results, which led him to become a two-division champion in regional events. He now has the chance to capture the greatest glory of his professional career, as he's only hours away from



Mohammad Fakhreddine celebrates after a bout



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"The Latest" takes on Brazilian powerhouse Daniel Gaucha in the main event of BRAVE CF 41, which takes place on September 17th, in Bahrain, on the first of the three shows that will take place on the

Kombat Kingdom series. Now settled as a legend of the Arab MMA world, Fakhreddine's road to his current status was a difficult one, but he has remained on the path and has no regrets.

"I've fought anywhere, anytime, and I'll fight anywhere, anytime. This is what I love to do, and despite what my opponent says, I have much more time in my career. I'm ready to become the BRAVE CF world

champion and make history for Lebanon".

After starting off his amateur career in the USA, Mohammad returned to Lebanon and initiated the path towards his legendary status.

The game changer in Fakhreddine's career came in 2016, when he signed a long-term deal with BRAVE Combat Federation. Since he joined the truly global MMA promotion, Fakhreddine benefited from the global platform, and expanded his popularity internationally. Now, Fakhreddine is known around the world and became a reference for Middle Eastern Mixed Martial Arts. He now hopes to add BRAVE CF Middleweight world champion to his long list of achievements.

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