## IF YOU THINK YOU CAN KNOCK ME OUT COME AND TRY

EFC 127 PRESSER KICKS OFF FIGHT WEEK

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**Johannesburg, South Africa -** Fight week kicked-off in style as the EFC 127 Press Conference lit the fireworks at the World Sports Betting Arena, with the Heavyweight Champion of Africa, Elvis Moyo and his arch-rival Matunga Djikasa, engaging in a memorable war of words, setting the scene for one of the biggest fights on the continent in 2025.

The 'Bulawayo Bomber' from Zimbabwe took the belt from Anthony Morel in April after 11 years of competition in the EFC and now mounts his first title defence against the Congolese headhunter Djikasa who had previously won the belt by beating Moyo's friend and training partner Vandam Mbuyi in 2022, before vacating the title to compete overseas. With so much bad blood and history between the

two main event protagonists, fight fans were treated to erudite threats and witty repartee that at times threatened to morph from words to actions. However, both champ and challenger were able to keep their powder dry ahead of Thursday's must-watch clash as they were joined on the stage by other main card fighters who are all participating in an intriguing and stacked card.

**Elvis Moyo** - What he intends to do isn't my problem because I have every intention to completely smash him. I really hope it's going to be a hard fight because it's better for all the heavyweights across Africa if we smash the living @#\$% out of each other"

**Matunga Djikasa -** "I'm really well prepared and yes, our plan is to target the legs and then outbox him. But he's going to be surprised by something amazing. I respect his heart, but I'm going to finish him, it's as simple as that."

Also present was House of Tinkerbell's Nathanial Komana who is undefeated since changing weight classes and promised an early and dramatic stoppage of his opponent Godknows Ndlovu. Natural entertainer Godfrey Mkhawnazi was also on hand to discuss his battle against veteran Roevan de Beer and though he refused to be drawn on his opponents age, assured the media that he won't be taken down and assured fans of the imminent slugfest. Gqeberha's flyweight sensation Lihle Ngamnthwini was the epitome of cool as he looks to continue his four-fight winning streak with another stoppage, this time against the dangerous and heavy-hitting Tebatso Molele.

Fresh off his incredible first-round TKO in May is Emmanual Sita who welcomes the returning Guelor Sondi in a mouth-watering DRC versus Congo-Brazzaville derby. Also on the card is another fighter who doesn't like to hang around, Mlungisi Mbizane, who thrilled fight fans away with a first-round finish of veteran Vincent Nakana in June, and must now contend with the powerful and accurate kickboxing of one of the best fighters from Mozambique, Emerson Pedro.

The stacked prelim card also features EFC Contender Series winner Coenie Lamprecht who recently had a perfect pro debut by taking a first-round tap from Thapelo Seabi, but now faces an equally-talented submission specialist in Mfanafuthi Ngobese. The fast-paced Muay Thai of Durban's mercurial Rian Mario Dunn will test the reflexes of Shane Carr's protogée, Bryn Gwavava, whose professional debut at EFC 125 couldn't have gone any better when he sank in a first-round rear-naked to get his hand raised. Now the two will meet in a classic striker versus grappler matchup. The curtain-raiser on the undercard will witness the long-awaited debut of Mika Ngomane from Mamelodi Warriors, who faces a former teammate in need of a win, Tebatso Matlhobowane.

However, the focus today was on the two behemoths who will go to war in the main event with <u>World Sports Betting</u> picking the champion Moyo as the slight favourite to win the fight and retain his belt. The closeness in odds between the two indicates the skillsets and experience of both in a fight that is doubtful to go the distance.

EFC 127 Moyo vs. Djikasa takes place on Thursday, 11 September 2025, live from the World Sports Betting Arena at the EFC Performance Institute in Johannesburg, South Africa. Broadcast details are available at <a href="https://www.efcworldwide.com">www.efcworldwide.com</a>