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STATEMENT

*"The main event we fight is: **Sports vs. Drugs.**"*

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"Welcome to our seventh newsletter!! It is our sincerest hope that our newsletter will both inspire and motivate you to join us in this humanitarian cause and help the many people that are in need of our help."

— Abbey Hussain and Staff

From Abbey —



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Holidays from myself and all of our H.A.D. **S t a f f** members. Our seventh newsletter is proud to feature an article written by H.A.D. members about Teddy Atlas, a boxing trainer, commentator, humanitarian and a friend of H.A.D.

In this issue of the newsletter, there will be an article, accompanied by pictures, by Betty Coker, President of H.A.D., regarding the Grand Opening of our office. Your support is needed urgently because we have an office to run now—we are \$25,000 in debt—and we need to make this project a success. If you can help us in any way, please feel free to contact us. ■

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H.A.D. Opens its Office

an article written

by Betty Coker, H.A.D. President

Help Against Drugs Org. of NYC, Inc. (H.A.D.) is a non-profit organization that was founded by Abbey Hussain 13 years ago. The purpose of the organization is to combat drugs through sports. H.A.D. helps to get young people involved in sports and activities in an effort to prevent destructive thought patterns in these youths. On Saturday, April 21st, 2001, at 3:00pm, Help Against Drugs Org. of NYC, Inc. held the Grand Opening Celebration of their new office, for which there was a good attendance turnout. Among the attendees were people who have been associated with H.A.D. for the past 13 years, as well as sports celebrities such as Caribbean boxing superstar Juan LaPorte, World Featherweight Boxing Champion, from the beautiful island of

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Teddy Atlas, A Friend of H.A.D. (Questions & Answers)

H.A.D. Where were you born and where have you lived most of your life?

T.A. I was born in Miami, Florida, and moved to Staten Island, NY, where I have spent most of my life.

H.A.D. What made you get involved in boxing?

T.A. I got involved in boxing at the time I went to the Police Athletic League when I was a young kid.



Teddy Atlas, former trainer of Mike Tyson, pictured with Damaris Rodriguez at Teddy's Fundraiser in November, 2000.

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