



BUFFALO BILLS AT MIAMI DOLPHINS HARD ROCK STADIUM Oct. 23, 2016 | 1 P.M.

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Buffalo Bills Running Back LeSean McCoy (transcribed by Alex Onaindia)

(Talk about in the second half when you came out of the game there.) – “Yes. I tried to take off. [I didn’t really have a route] and it just didn’t feel right. I felt a little pain and I did what I had (to do) so I came out, it was the smart thing to do. I didn’t reinjure anything or make it worse. That was the best thing. I just kind of felt it and it, it was kind of like a warning mentally.”

(Were you 100% coming in?) – “I felt fine. Every day step by step I slowly progressed. It was kind of a day-to-day decision. Today I felt great going into my cuts, warming up, running, cutting. I felt good. That was the only reason I wouldn’t play, if I wasn’t 100%.”

(Just to clarify, that was the 3rd quarter, right? You said you ran that route and felt it.) – “Yes. It was a slow day and I played lousy. I’m not that good to miss a whole week of practice and just play in the game and be successful. It’s one of the things I have to better at. It’s the competitive nature in me I want to out there with my teammates and win a game, and do everything in my ability to help us out on offense.”

(Head Coach Rex [Ryan] says it’s the doctors and trainers decision, not your decision. It’s hard to believe that. How much of it is you saying I can play?) – “Well, I passed all my tests, all the test they gave me. The strength in my hamstring, the pain, I did everything all the steps, so he is right. The last step was just the warmups to see how it felt. I felt amazing. I was running and cutting and it felt good. I told my agent that outside when I saw him during warmups. It is what it is. I’ll just rehab it and be ready to play next week.”

(You had been going so good the last few weeks. What changed today?) – “I put a lot of it on myself especially the running game. Not being there for the whole week practice wise and expecting to go out on the field and make plays, it’s hard to do. [A lot of that I take on myself, I didn’t play well today.”

(How concerned are you long-term with your hamstring?) – “It’s not one of those major issues like last year when I was in deep, deep pain. This is something that just takes time. I think a full week of practicing and taking my steps and it should be fine. We’ll see how it happens, we’ll see what happens.”

(Might it have been better if you didn’t play for the team?) – “You might be right for the team. Seriously, you might be right for the team, that might have been the best thing. It’s hard to say that,





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and as a player if you feel good, there's no reason you shouldn't play. It's easier to sit in a chair and say that compared to a guy that's a competitor who competes at a high level at a card game. It is what it is."

