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Miami Dolphins Head Coach Adam Gase (transcribed by Michelle Stone)

(In a game full of big plays, was there one defining big play? Was it definitely that kickoff return by Kenyon [Drake]?) – “Probably. That was obviously a game changer for us. Probably that penalty, that offsides penalty, and us getting our guys another shot at returning it. Jakeem [Grant], it probably tired him out a little bit. He covered about 80 yards and gained four.”

(Are you glad – obviously Jakeem’s great, they kicked it away from him...) – “Well, we were having a big debate whether or not we were going to put Jarvis [Landry] back there because we thought Jakeem was pretty worn out. We were kind of hoping that would happen. It worked out for us.”

(The way that your team has played overall, the three-game win streak, three-and-one on the home stand, you’re back into the playoff race, these last three games, what can you say about them?) – “I think our guys did a good job of sticking with what we’ve been doing since the first week of the season. They know every week we come in and we’re 0-0 and our job is to be 1-0 at the end of the week. We played some tough games at the beginning of the season and no one got frustrated. We made changes where we needed to make changes. We got healthy in certain spots. That’s what made a huge difference. Guys have done a huge job. They’ve been working extremely hard during the week and they’ve been making sure they’re prepared every week.”

(What does this say about the resiliency of your football team? You’re 1-4 and you climb back to .500 and, in this football game, where it was a tight game all day, you get that tough break late in the game and it looks like a momentum change, and you come right back with a touchdown on the kick return to really seal that deal. It says a lot about how your team has fought back in both situations.) – “I think guys are doing a good job of focusing on what’s happening in that moment, instead of dwelling on something that’s happened in the past in the game, or trying to look forward [thinking] we better make a play here, we better do this...that mindset of this play is the most important play for us right now. Guys have been doing that during practice and they’ve done it in games, especially the last couple of weeks. We’ve been down a couple of times. You don’t really feel any kind of swing there as far as a negative emotion. Guys are flatline as far as that goes, but the energy level is high and everybody is trying to do everything that they can to be the guy that makes the next play.”





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(You knew going into this game that the Jets were coming in the number one rushing defense in the league. You knew it was going to be tough but you still stayed with it late in the game, in the fourth quarter, when you need to close the game out, it paid dividends with the two big runs by [RB] Jay Ajayi.) – “That’s always going to be our goal. He knows exactly how I want to call the game as far as I’m never going to go away from him. His job is to keep hammering it and wait until the fourth quarter. If teams can stay with him, and they can tackle him, then they’re probably going to win the game.”

(Defensively you gave up yards, but when it got into the red zone, other than that last touchdown, you were able to hold them to field goals and they did a pretty good job at that aspect of the game.) – “Vance [Joseph], he has a good package there in the red zone. It’s tough to go against. Obviously we practice against it all the time. That’s the key for us. We talk about it all the time. The odds are really irrelevant. You prevent touchdowns, you prevent explosive plays, and it’s going to put us in a good spot.”

(Can you put Kenyon Drake’s rookie year into perspective?) – “I think the last couple of weeks has really been his first opportunity. We’ve had him up. He’s been doing some things on special teams. We’ve had some specialty plays for him occasionally. We try to use him on third down every once in a while because we’ve got so many guys. We’ve had so many guys go in before, and we’ve used Jay so much on first and second down, it’s a chance for us to put him and Damien [Williams] in there. They know exactly what plays are theirs. We try to just keep those three guys as fresh as we can throughout the game.”

(You pile up the wins now, three-in-a-row. Are you finding, during the week now, that it’s becoming easier as far as the preparation because maybe guys are buying into what you’ve been doing?) – “I don’t think it’s ever easy to get ready for an NFL game. Every week you’re starting over, you’re grinding, there’s a lot of information to cram into a short week. The longer the season goes, the more guys’ bodies start getting sore. It’s tough sometimes to go out to practice and get after it.”

(I meant as far as guys buying into what you’re doing.) – “I guess I haven’t seen a change since we started. When we were losing games, I never saw a change in anyone.”





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(Byron Maxwell, it appeared he was shadowing Brandon Marshall – was that the case? And was that decision made before or after Brandon’s comment?) – “I think what we did decide was a certain plan as to how to handle where Brandon was, but they did a great job of moving him around early. He was inside quite a bit and was working against our zone. He’s so tough to handle outside – you start putting him inside, in my experience, any time he went inside, that’s when he became an issue. He played tough and he made some really good plays. There were a couple of times where we had some penalties called on us on him. That happens. You’re trying to match his physicality, you’re trying to make sure that you’re doing everything you can to combat him. It’s a tough matchup to play against him.”

(And that was the strategy the whole week, going into the game?) – “Everything we do is done on Wednesday. We’re not going to change our game plan because someone says something.”

(Talk about the impact of [DT] Ndamukong Suh, especially today when you needed it in the latter part of the game.) – “Tough man to block. I know that. I’m glad he’s on our team. It’s impressive to watch. When you see an interior guy cause that much disruption, to be able to get his hands actually on the quarterback, that’s even a tougher assignment. Those guys will get pressure, but he finishes it.”

(Cameron Wake – the two strip sacks today, steadily coming on. I don’t know if you’re surprised by anything that Cam does, but what do you think of what he’s done the last few weeks?) – “He’s just trying to make sure that whatever he has in the tank, he’s putting it out there on Sundays. He’s not going to leave anything out there. He’s going to make sure that he shows up, and if he has an opportunity to win a game, he’s going to try do everything he can to be a part of the success of our defense.”

(Can you talk about [DT] Jordan Phillips, the interception in particular and his play in general. Is that a zone blitz where he was dropping into coverage?) – “Yes. It was. That was interesting. It was one of the few times I looked up as we were having so many issues on offense, I look up and I see him just dropping. I saw him catch it, and I thought, *please score*. We hadn’t been so hot in the red zone. That was a great play. If there’s one guy where a ball comes at you, he’s going to catch it. He has really good hands.”

(Were you surprised by his ability to do a vertical leap out there?) – “I was hoping he’d do whatever he could to score.”





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(How about [CB] Bobby McCain – suspicion of a concussion, comes back in, gets the interception, playing inside against Brandon [Marshall] sometimes.) – “It’s a tough assignment. The one thing that we constantly talked to Bobby about was just to trust in Vance (Joseph) as a defensive play caller, to play your leverage, to do what you’re supposed to do, don’t try to go outside that box, and if they run certain routes, keep that coverage. That’s on the coordinator for calling the defense. We just want to make sure that he’s just doing his job play in and play out. Vance does such a good job when he calls the defense and if you could hear some of the things I hear during the game, it’s very impressive.”

Miami Dolphins Running Back Jay Ajayi (transcribed by David Norwood II)

(What was that sideline like when RB Kenyan Drake hit that hole and was gone?) – “Everyone was running down the sideline. I think I was trying to beat him to the end zone. I was so excited for him. That was huge for him to come up (and) make a big play for the team when we needed a crucial play, and he stepped up. So, kudos to Drake for that.”

(How difficult was it out there getting those yards against this Jets defense that came into the league number one against the run?) – “They showcased why they’re the number one rush defense today. (They) did a lot of good things and kind of getting good penetration here and there. But what we did on the sideline and talking with the o-line, we just kept it steady. We knew we were going against a good challenge today. All credit to what they were able to do – not letting us get to 200 (yards) and all that, but I still think we had a good game on the ground, still tried to create creases. The o-line still did a good job of pushing penetration, and we were able to finish the game strong with a good four minute and seal the game.”

Miami Dolphins Running Back Kenyan Drake (transcribed by David Norwood II)

(How you’re feeling now?) – “I’m just a little sick after that. Kind of had to run back and forth like from kickoff return, then kickoff, then punt. Just a little winded still, but hey that win makes it a lot better I guess.”

(Take us through the return, what happened when you caught the ball?) – “Jakeem [Grant] did a great job with the return beforehand. The return got called back because they were offsides and basically so it was like we got to make a play, have to run down the field again. They’re a little tired, come back down and they kicked off to me again, the little border kick. I couldn’t get around the edge. This time it was a better return. I tried to hit the seam as fast as possible. Front line did a good job double teaming. I didn’t get touched until I got to the kicker and I couldn’t let him tackle me so it was a great team win honestly.”





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(What point did you feel like you had it?) – “When I get into the end zone honestly, because I was trying to remember what my track coach told me - just pick those knees up and keep your form. I was kind of losing at the end but by the grace of God I was able to get into the end zone.”

Miami Dolphins Tight End Dominique Jones (transcribed by David Norwood II)

(How did it feel to get the first career touchdown? – “It was nerve-wracking a little bit because they went to review again so I was like, ‘Man, they’re going to review it again.’ But it happened. It was a good feeling to get a touchdown finally.”

(Did you get to keep the ball?) – “I did. I think one of the equipment managers got it for me.”

(How would you describe the rollercoaster of emotions in this game?) – “That’s NFL football for you. You never know what’s going to happen. You just have to keep grinding, grinding, grinding. It’s not always perfect but we got the job done in the end. Now we’re 4-4 and on to Cali.”

Miami Dolphins Cornerback Bobby McCain (transcribed by David Norwood II)

(You’re basically all you’re focusing on [with the interception] is, “Don’t drop it. Make sure you get your feet in.”?) – “Most definitely. It’s, ‘Don’t drop the ball. Make sure you get your feet in.’ It’s one of the biggest plays of the game at the time, so going out we kind of knew what was coming. But then at the end of the day, it was a great call, and we made a play to get off the field.”

(Were you surprised when you saw there were no Jets receivers anywhere around and the ball just float in your palms?) – “Yes, I definitely was. I was kind of nervous. I was like, ‘Hold on, is somebody coming from behind me?’ But at the end of the day, I caught the ball, made a play and got us off the field.”

(In this game after you had to leave the game for a little while, were you concerned that you weren’t going to [return]?) – “They had to take protocol. They had to take precautions. The NFL does a great job with that. But I was fine, came in here, passed all the tests, and I got up and played ball.”

Miami Dolphins Cornerback Byron Maxwell (transcribed by Sara Perez)

(We saw the chippiness between you and WR Brandon Marshall and then WR Jarvis Landry and CB Buster Skrine, did you guys get a taste for it early on?) – “Yes, you could definitely feel it in





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pregame, that it was going to be a tough game. We had a lot of mistakes out there. We could have played a lot better and did some things better. It could have had a way better mood outcome, relaxed win for us.”

(Was that fun?) – “Oh yes, it was a lot of fun. We were playing some ball, playing football. It was physical. It was football. You know (Jets WR Brandon Marshall) is going to get the rock. You know he’s going to get the ball thrown to him, so I was just ready to go.”

(Obviously, you were shadowing Jets WR Brandon Marshall all over the field, so that says a lot about this team’s confidence in you, right?) – “Yes. I do whatever the coaches ask of me. They said follow him, so I followed him. It helps out because you can just figure out what routes he runs. It’s kind of easier.”

(What were the best lines that you and Jets WR Brandon Marshall shared with each other?) – “I don’t really say anything. I don’t say anything. I don’t. He was talking. I’m here. I’m focused. I’m locked in. What you say doesn’t matter, to be honest with you. It’s like, ‘Alright, let’s go.’ Nothing is going to change. I’m going to still be here.”

(You say you were locked in, so does that mean you were not paying attention to what Jets WR Brandon Marshall was saying?) – “No, it doesn’t matter what he says. He can say what he wants to say, but I’m going to still be here. I’m still going to do my technique. I’m going to still do what the coaches ask of me. You can talk all you want. You’re really just blowing hot air, but whatever though.”

Miami Dolphins DT Jordan Phillips (transcribed by Armando Gonzalez)

(Learning from guys like the veterans on this team it’s got to be great for you as a young player.) – “It’s the best situation I could’ve been put into. I feel like we have possibly three Hall of Famers in our room and it’s an honor to play with them and I just try to play at their level.”

(When you first got here were you thinking it might be a while before you get a chance to make these kinds of impacts with all the guys that are already here?)- “No, they brought me here for a reason; it was just a matter of time before I got my chance.”

(The hurdle was it premeditated or did it just come to you in the moment?)- “I thought he was going to go low on me so I just jumped and luckily I didn’t get flipped.”





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Miami Dolphins C Mike Pouncey (transcribed by Jason D. Silver)

(That was a rollercoaster of emotions there in that final 10 minutes. Did you guys say anything on the sidelines or was everyone just kind of locked in?) – “We were all sitting on the sidelines saying ‘Hey, we have to go out there and we have to have a game-winning drive.’ That’s what it’s going to come down to is the last drive of the game and then he (Kenyan Drake) bust it wide open. It was nice man. It was a great feeling.”

(How big is it for every phase of this football team to have a game like it did today?) – “We complemented each other really well this week. When the defense was playing good and the offense wasn’t, they covered us up and then, at the end of the day, our special teams came through big time for us to win this football game.”

(How would you describe the confidence level of the team at 4-4 after three straight wins?) – “Well, that’s what we wanted to do. We wanted to go and make sure we were 4-4 going on a West Coast trip. We will be out there for 11 days. It’s going to be a true test for our football team to go out there and be out there for 11 days and try to win two games back-to-back.”

Miami Dolphins DT Ndamukong Suh (transcribed by Jason D. Silver and Armando Gonzalez)

(Talking about your defense, you guys got put in tough situations in the red zone a number of times. You hold them to a field goal which you needed to, had the touchdown at the end, but how do you feel you guys played when you got put into trouble there?) – “It’s a team game so if something bad goes, we need to figure out a way when we’re up to make a positive play and at least hold them to a field goal if they’re in the red zone, and go from there. At the end of the day, our job is to get out of whatever situation we’re in, in particular on defense, and get our offense the ball back.”

(What kind of view did you have of the DT Jordan Phillips interception and his ensuing run after that?) – “I had a great view of it. I was rushing inside and the ball was thrown and my man looked like a receiver and picked it out of the air. It looked like he wanted to be a hurdler for a second. I’m very proud of that kid. He’s come a long way since I was with him last year. (I’m) very proud. He’s got a lot more room to grow, obviously. (He’s) still young and it’s just a small bit of what he can do. (He’s) very athletic (and a) good kid.”

(You guys have fought back to 4-4 when it looked like this thing was spinning out of control. How’s this football team feel about themselves and you feel about what you can do going





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forward?) – “I think we understood where we were at. When we were what, (1-4) or whatever it was, we understood we were at home, which is a good situation, especially for how long we were (on the road) and we had a tough road ahead of us. (Head) Coach (Adam) Gase did a great job of understanding where our milestones were needed to hit to get to where we are right now. We hit them. We’ve got a lot more set for us. We just need to continue to keep grinding it out each and every single week.”

(Did this game play out the way you kind of expected it to play out all week long?) – “I think it was going to be, without question, a tough game. All division games are tough. But at the end of the day, there are places and times where during this game we could’ve finished this team and put them away. Unfortunately we didn’t, but we made breaks and we created plays and we got ourselves off the field and our offense did a great job of putting it in the end zone, making plays, and helping us as well.”

(Tell me about your last series. You get a big stop, a big tackle for a loss and then you get the sack and kind of end their day. Just the way you continue to play all season long how it determined this game.) – “I’ve got to give a lot of credit to my defensive line. There’s no question that ‘J.J.’ (Jason Jones) did an excellent job allowing me to get a one-on-one finally, and as well as ‘Cam’ [Cameron Wake]. Obviously they’re going to pay attention to him after having two sacks. I got my opportunity and when I did, I’m without question going to make the most of it. It’s very rare (not to be double-teamed), but that’s what my job is to do make big plays and help us get off the field.”

(You showed a hint of a sack dance I think, did you give that any thought?)- “No, it was just a little bit of emotion. I’m usually not too emotional, but it felt good. (I was) definitely excited. Like I said, the d-line is a huge help for allowing me to get back there.”

(Any chance we’ll see that sport coat on eBay?) – “You never know, I appreciate you guys liking it. The guys in the locker room when I first got here tried to give me a little crap, but you guys matter and you guys like it, so I’m happy (laughter).”

Miami Dolphins Quarterback Ryan Tannehill (transcribed by Sara Perez)

(Can you describe the emotions? It seemed like a little bit of highs and lows for you guys. What was it like on the sidelines?) – “It was good. I thought we had good energy on the sidelines. Obviously, there were some frustrating points in the game. We didn’t make plays when we should have. Defense came up huge in the second half, so a lot of exciting there. (We) had some exciting





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plays by them. Obviously, the kickoff return there at the end was huge. There were some highs and lows, but I feel like we kept our good energy on the sideline, and we just knew we were going to find a way to win.”

(Offensively, you knew it was going to be tough going against that defense, especially running the football, but you guys kind of just stayed with it and stayed with it. When you went into this game, is that how you expected things to be?) – “We didn’t really know. We knew coming in that they were a good run defense, but so was Pittsburgh and so was Buffalo. We expected to come in and be able to run the ball. Obviously, we knew it was going to be tough – it’s not going to be easy – they have a really good front. We just kind of stuck with it. We didn’t have a lot of big runs, but we just kept sticking with it trying to make something happen. At the end of the game when we needed to get some first downs, we were able to do that.”

(Did it seem like in the fourth quarter that they were tired? I saw a couple of their guys calling out – calling out to the game – going to the sideline. Did it look like they were getting fatigued in the game?) – “I’m not sure. I’d have to ask the o-linemen. I think they did a pretty good job of playing us tough up front. I think at the end of the game, we finally got some movement and got Jay (Ajayi) free up to the safety. That’s what you want to do is get a big running back up to the safeties. We just kind of kept sticking with it, and when we needed a play, we made it happen.”

(You’ve always said that you try to take every game one at a time, but you have won three in a row now. You’ve come out of that 1-4 hole. Do you feel like you have momentum?) – “Yes, we have some momentum. I think we’re playing some good football right now. Obviously, today wasn’t as clean as we’d like it offensively, but we’re on the right track. We just have to keep progressing, keep getting better, keep pushing ourselves each and every day during practice and keep building on what we’ve done. Obviously, (there is) a lot of football in front of us, tough road trip coming up here in the next couple weeks. It’s going to be fun to see how we handle that road trip like a business trip and go out and play to win two games.”

(How about the change of emotions with the dropped snap, they go ahead, then all of a sudden the kick return, you go back 30 seconds, two touchdowns and you fall behind then you get right back on top?) – “That was wild. I don’t think I’ve ever been a part of a swing like that – I don’t think – at the end of a football game. Big credit to our kickoff return team just finding a way to make it work. I think Jakeem (Grant) on the one before ran around forever, and I think that played into effect of them getting a little tired on their coverage team. And the obviously, Kenyan (Drake) did a great job and the





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block team did a great job of giving him a crease. You have a fast guy (and a crease like that, he's going to take it to the house."

(Grinding out a game like this where it was a dogfight for most of the way – you fall behind, you come back – what does that do for your football team – offense, defense, special teams, everybody?) – "When you face adversity and you find a way to persevere, I think it gives you a lot of confidence. The past couple weeks we've been down in games and there's been no panic, there's been no tremors on the sideline of, 'Okay, here we go,' or 'What are we going to do now?' It's, 'We're going to be able to find a way to win the game.' When you have that attitude, that mindset – whether it's offense or defense – as a team if you have that mindset, you're going to win a lot of games."

(Were you aware that DT Jordan Phillips had soft hands and could jump like that?) – "I don't know about the jump, but I knew he could catch. We've done some things last year where we put a d-linemen or an offensive linemen in to catch a punt or something, and he always looks athletic when he's catching the football. I knew he could catch. I don't know about the hurdle though; that was pretty impressive."

(RB Kenyan Drake was just telling us that after the kick return touchdown he came back in here and actually threw up he was just so spent. Did you know that, and what did you say to him after he made that big play?) – "No, I didn't know that at all, but that was a huge play for us. I congratulated him and told him, 'Nice job.' We needed that. It was a huge play. Whether (it is) a touchdown or a good return, when you get something like that – a big play on special teams, whether it's early in the game or late in the game – it really does a lot for giving momentum on your side of the football. When you do that to go ahead and take the lead at the end of the football game, it's huge."

(You've won three games in a row in different ways. Does that lead you to believe that this is going to be the type of football team you're going to be from here throughout?) – "I just want to be the type of football team that finds a way to win. I think at the end of the day, this team is willing to do whatever it takes to win, and you play to win the game, so I am more than happy to be a part of that."

Miami Dolphins DE Cameron Wake (transcribed by Ted Leshinski)

(What did you think of RB Kenyan Drake's kickoff return? Were you surprised? Had you seen any indications of that in training camp or in practice?) – "We knew he had it. But of all the times to do it, that was right on time. This game has had a lot of back and forth, a lot of ups and downs, but the





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guys found a way to win. That (kickoff return) was obviously a big part of that and I'm definitely happy he's on our side."

(Can a game like this help you guys keep building on the confidence you have from the two games before and catapult you on to the type of team that you want to be for the next half of the season?) – "I hope so. That (is the) recipe that we've been talking about, playing complementary football – offense doing their job, defense doing their job, special teams getting it done. The formula works. The guys have seen that for a few weeks now. Hopefully there was no doubt, but if there was, there shouldn't be anymore. For guys to continue to go out and play, no matter what the situation is, there's going to be some things that happen in the game that maybe didn't go your way; but just keep fighting and find a way to win. I like the way that things are turning out."

(The Jets had some success running the football early against you and you guys tightened that up and put some pressure on QB Ryan Fitzpatrick when he was in there. As a defensive front, do you feel like you're getting better each and every week?) – "That's the mentality. As a front, we have high expectations of ourselves – everybody, man to man. Each week we go in and, honestly, look at more of the plays that maybe we didn't make than some of the ones we did. It's a continuous strive for perfection. I think that's been the goal from Day 1. So the more times we're out there, the more we're playing together, guys are finding a rhythm, playing off each other better, then we have success. So, again, that's another part of the recipe that I talked about earlier. We just have to keep it going."

(You had two more sacks this week. You've got to be feeling good about your health and the way that you're playing?) – "It feels good. It feels good. Hopefully, again, the situation (being healthy) is always the most important and the coaches have been working with me closely in getting out there and playing at times as needed, and when I'm out there I'm doing my best to get my job done. And today, getting after the quarterback was one of the main things we had as a priority on our list. I think guys did a pretty good job with (that)."

(You go out to San Diego next week. You're going to stay out there for the week and then play the Rams. How do you keep that from being a distraction or not to be something that takes away from your preparation in getting ready for two games that, like any other game, are very important to you?) – "I think it starts with the preparation from the guys on the inside. We live in Miami and nobody is foreign to that. There's all kind of things that are possible (distractions). There's South Beach, there's Fort Lauderdale, blah, blah, blah. The reality is you have a job to do. Miami is not a vacation spot for us. Maybe for other people who are down here and we're playing football and doing our job. (It's the) same thing in L.A. When we go out there, I'm sure they have the same kind of





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things we have here in Miami, and we've got to focus on our job at hand and get after your opponent. I like to think that especially since we're here in South Florida, when all the things that could be had are here, I couldn't imagine L.A. has any more. Again, we've got to focus on our job the same way we did this week. So I wouldn't expect that to be an issue."

(Obviously you had a 1-4 start. We've seen on the field what's been the key to the team's turnaround. What behind the scenes has spurred the complete turnaround of this team?) – "I've been speaking about this – its consistency. Early on in the season, things didn't necessarily go the way we wanted. We had spurts, quarters where the offense played lights out and then the defense wet the bed, so to speak, and vice versa. But that's not going to get you wins at the end of the day. Being able to play complementary football, fighting to the end of the game, 60 minutes, four quarters, whatever it may be – playing together, hand in hand - that's something we didn't necessarily have in our favor the first few games. But now that formula that I spoke about, that's the key to our success and we just got to keep going."

(Do you feel like all of your goals are still ahead of you?) – "Sure."

(How has the team's confidence changed? QB Ryan Tannehill was at the podium a minute ago and said 'I knew we were going to find a way even after we were down late.' How has the team's confidence evolved during the three-game winning streak?) – "I'd like to think that experience creates that. When you go out there and you keep fighting, keep fighting, keep fighting, and you make a play, it shows you that, 'Hey, the game's not over until it's over.' You don't ever want to have a situation where you put your head down and say, 'Oh shucks.' If the ball's still in play and the clock's still running, you still have an opportunity. Whether it's the play from RB Kenyan Drake or a lot of other plays that we've had, it's still out there and you just have to keep fighting and find a way to win no matter what. And to be honest, I felt the same way. I never, from kickoff, thought we were going to lose that game. I think guys played that way and it showed."

(When do you start looking at standings and playoff math?) – "I don't. It doesn't matter. If me or anybody says, 'Well, playoffs are possible, so I'm going to play harder,' what sense does that make? It doesn't make a difference. I'm going to go out there and play as hard as possible no matter what the situation is. It doesn't matter what the standings are or not. It has nothing to do with it. Beating the guy across from me and winning this down, that's my focus. All that stuff, you guys can calculate. That's not for me."





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New York Jets Head Coach Todd Bowles (transcribed by Frank Brill)

(Can you touch on the penalties and not being productive inside the red zone?) – “I think it really hurt us in the first half. It kept two of the drives alive. They got them some points. In the second half, we shot ourselves in the foot, especially on the last kickoff return. That really hurt us. In the red zone, we’ve got to be more productive. We’ve got to at least come away with points. We can’t just turn the ball over. We’ve got to do better.”

(There were four personal foul penalties in the first half. How infuriating is that for you and do you feel that they were all warranted?) – “It’s infuriating, but it was a little chippy in the beginning of the ballgame, but we’ve got to have better composure than that regardless of whether they’re warranted or not. We’ve got to play better, and we’ve got to have a lot better composure.”

(Why did you decide not to play DL Mo Wilkerson and DL Sheldon Richardson in the first quarter?) – “That was a coach’s decision.”

(Was it disciplinary?) – “It was a coach’s decision.”

(On the kickoff return, did you get a view from your angle on whether S Antonio Allen was legitimately off sides?) – “Not from the angle I was at. I didn’t see it.”

(What happened on the one where he returned it? What happened?) – “If I could tell you that, I wish they wouldn’t have scored, but they scored. Evidently, everybody got blocked.”

(QB Ryan Fitzpatrick with two really bad picks. Do you stay with him or do you think about going to QB Bryce Petty?) – “Ryan is our quarterback.”

(This is not the first time you’ve had a bad special teams play. How much of a concern is your special teams play?) – “It’s a concern, because they just ran it back for a touchdown. We’ve got to play better, or we get some guys on there that can.”

(Can you describe the kind of roller coaster, the feeling of going up and then blowing it right away?) – “It’s a divisional game. It’s an emotional football game. We’ve got to find better ways to finish the football game. It came down to the wire, and we didn’t make plays at the end.”





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(At 3-6, where do you feel like your season is at?) – “Right where it is – 3-6 – half of what we want to be as opposed to 6-3, and we’ve got to be better in a hurry.”

(Do you think this is beyond repair at this point?) – “No.”

(Was T Ryan Clady a decision this morning, or did you know you weren’t going to have him?) – “It was this morning or last night, so to speak. He was still sore, so I would rather start the healthier guy.”

(What happened on the second interception in the end zone?) – “That’s a good question, there was nobody there. It was a miscommunication, or I’ve got to find out what happened on film.”

(So QB Ryan Fitzpatrick) was not attempting to throw the ball away?) – “I’ve got to ask him.”

(Just to clarify with DL Mo Wilkerson and DL Sheldon Richardson, was either a physical situation, injury related?) – “It was a coach’s decision.”

(So not physical, not an injury?) – “Coach’s decision.”

(Disciplinary?) – “Coach’s decision.”

(Any different of a Coach’s decision with T Ryan Clady?) – “Coach’s decision there, too.”

(With QB Ryan Fitzpatrick, was it more of a pain tolerance issue letting him go back in the game? Could you describe some of the discussions that were in play there?) – “I didn’t know how bad he was hurt. I’m involved in the game with (Bryce) Petty at the standpoint. (Ryan Fitzpatrick) came back and said he can go. So, if he could go – and he was healthy enough to go – I put him back in.”

(Do you have any room for error now, or do you have to win the remaining games?) – “We didn’t really have room for error when the season started. We want to win every game. Unfortunately, we didn’t win this one, and we didn’t win six others, so we’ve got to win some ball games.”

(How do you feel like QB Bryce Petty handled himself in the short spell he was in there?) – “He was okay. We put him in there, he did a good job, he didn’t panic, he took his reads, and I think he did a good job.”





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(There was a borderline pass – maybe it was forward, maybe it was backwards. Did you get a good look at the replay? Did you think about a challenge?) – “On the replay, it looked like it was either a tip and there were no returns.”

(Talk about the unsportsmanlike penalties that seem to be plaguing your team every week.) – “Well, they can’t happen. We’ve got to have more composure than that. It was a little chippy in the beginning on both sides. We got them in the first half, and they got them in the second half, but we can’t have them.”

(What was your message to the team just now?) – “They beat us. Give them all the credit in the world. We’ve got to find a way to get better. We made plays, put our foot in our mouth (during) the ballgame, and we’ve got to get better.”

(I know you said the season’s not lost, but how do you think about the fact that even if you won out you would still only get 10 wins, which is what you had last year, which wasn’t good enough?) – “I only go week by week. We’ll worry about the Rams tomorrow, and we’ll go from there.”

(After you review the film, could you foresee a situation where you re-evaluate the quarterback play going into next week?) – “No.”

(What’s CB Marcus Williams’ status?) - “He’s got a sore ankle, a sprained ankle. I’m not sure how bad.”

(Does LB Josh Martin have a concussion?) – “A concussion for Josh Martin.”

New York Jets Quarterback Ryan Fitzpatrick (transcribed by Alex Onaindia)

(What’s the nature of your knee injury?) – “I’ll get an MRI tomorrow morning and figure it out. I just kind of got hit low and rolled up on there. I was trying to stay in, but I didn’t want to jeopardize ... (The) next snap was under center, and I didn’t know if I’d be able to do it or not. I went to the sideline and put a brace on it. They checked it out and then I went back in.”

(I presume they told you it wasn’t serious or else you wouldn’t have gone back in? If that it was a tear, you probably wouldn’t go back in?) – “They evaluated and made the call, giving me all the options and then we go from there. But I’ll have an MRI tomorrow morning.”





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(How stunned are you with the way that game ended?) –“I think the Dolphins, we give them a lot of credit, but we had opportunity after opportunity and didn’t get it done. That’s a frustrating one, especially for us on offense. (We had) a lot of opportunities in the second half.”

(What happened on the interception in the end zone?) –“Well, there were two. The first one was they dropped a defensive tackle I didn’t see. And then the second one, I have to be on the same page with everybody.

(Were you looking to just get rid of it, or did you think somebody was going to be there?) –“No, it was just a miscommunication.”

(You said you wore a brace when you went back in?) –“Yes, I had a brace on.”

(WR Brandon Marshall mentioned a few minutes ago that he feels like these struggles for your start here fall on you and him offensively. What do you think about that?) –“It all falls on the quarterback. There are a lot of things that I could have done better today and didn’t. I think as the quarterback and the guy that is sitting there making a lot of the final decisions – whether it’s who to throw the ball to or what play to run or check to a pass or vice versa – a lot of it falls on the quarterback.”

(WR Brandon Marshall mentioned that him and you are the leaders of this team, especially from the offensive standpoint. What message do you have for your team going forward knowing that your record is now 3-6?) –“It’s tough, but you just go to work and try to do your job. That’s it. There’s no magic formula. There really is not. There’s not some sort of crazy inspirational words. It’s just going to work and doing your job. You can pull some positives from the game. I think Jalin Marshall did a nice job. He really stepped up on offense and did some nice things. He scored his first touchdown. Our younger guys at receiver continue to emerge. Robby (Anderson) did some nice things. I missed him on the deep ball early. There’s just a lot of stuff where we have to continue to pull in the same direction.”

(You said this week that you’ve got win them all. Now you know that you have six losses, do you feel like hope is lost for the playoffs?) –“That’s tough to even think about right now sitting at where we are. That’s a difficult thought to think that far in the future. We’re just really trying to win the next game, trying to get this thing figured out heading in the right direction.”





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(Did you get a sense that WR Brandon Marshall was more agitated than he had been in the past? He admitted today that things got heated on the sideline and the cameras caught that a couple of times.) –“That’s just part of football and part of our relationship. It’s one that there are lots of ups and downs during a game. There were lots of them last year when we were winning all those games. The great thing about him is he’s just a crazy competitor, and he wants the ball on every play. There’s nothing to read into or nothing more than ... Our relationship, we understand each other, and it’s nothing more than that.”

(Head Coach Todd Bowles said that he’s sticking with you and even if he looks at the film, he’ll still stick with you. There’s going to be no change like there had been a couple weeks. Are you a little concerned that ... First of all, how do you feel about that?) –“I agree.”

(Are you at all concerned that might be a moot point because of the knee?) –“No, I have no idea, but think it was encouraging that I was able to go back into the game.”

(Did you have to talk to WR Brandon Marshall at all about controlling his emotions against CB Byron Maxwell? He said what he said this week, and I think on the first play of the game, they were jostling after the play. Did you have to calm him down at all?) –“Not really. There’s always gamesmanship involved. He knows what he’s doing out there. He does a good job with that stuff on his own.”

New York Jets RB Matt Forte (transcribed by Jason D. Silver)

(How disappointing was this one...a seesaw affair where you guys grabbed that lead late.) –“Yes. Divisional games. You lose a divisional game, it’s always... you take it a little harder. Especially with... the game was in our grasp and we let it go. Too many turnovers and too many penalties.”

(It seemed like you guys had a lot of success moving the ball today and then things got jammed up down there, inside the red zone....weren’t able to convert a lot of times. Can you point to what was happening inside the 20?) –“Not specifically. Will have to go back and watch the film and figure that out. But most of the time in the red zone if we run it a lot more effectively then we get closer and are able to score a touchdown instead of field goals. I’m not really sure how much we ran the ball in the red zone or how effective we were on first or second down, maybe. And third downs down there are important too. You have to convert on those.”





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(Can you talk about your touchdown run? It seems like you guys went to the jumbo package right there and you got a nice seal block from Dakota Dozier.) – “Yes, well we’re down a tight end. Kellen Davis got hurt last week and so Dakota stepped in tonight at tight end for him on that play, and definitely did a great job sealing off the front side. ‘Carp’ (James Carpenter) had a great block up there, and they him actually shot the gap with the linebacker and he was able to come off the down block and do a great job on that. Ben (Ijalana)had a good block on that too. And I think Q (Quincy Enunwa) came inside and sealed off one of the DBs. So when you get a run like that, they just did all the work up front I just had to out run the Safety, basically.”

New York Jets WR Brandon Marshall (transcribed by Alex Onaindia)

(How do you react to the roller coaster at the end of that game?) – “I’m upset. I’m disappointed. That’s the best thing I can say. I’m trying to be a pro here and answer the questions. It comes with the territory. You win some, you lose some. Obviously, this game had huge implications. Our playoffs started weeks ago. It looked ugly, but there still was hope for us. There still is hope. The hole is deeper. I’m extremely disappointed right now. We’ve got to give those guys credit. That’s a different club there. I’m so proud of (Head) Coach (Adam) Gase. He was my receiver coach in Denver. Those guys, they’re no longer front runners. Those guys are playing hard, physical. When they’re trailing, they don’t give up. So, you’ve got to give them credit. They did an amazing job today staying in the game and overcoming adversity, and we didn’t.”

(Are you fighting yourself to not say something stronger here at this moment?) – “I’m always fighting myself to not say anything stronger. I wear my emotions on my sleeve. I’m a transparent person. That’s never going to change. But obviously when you get older, you learn. You have to understand ... You have to learn how to deal with emotions. It’s a very volatile game. Everyone in this locker room – everyone in this organization – puts so much into what we have to do to be successful. It can be really hard 30 minutes after a game, 20 minutes after a game, getting up here and answering questions, especially in this circumstance when our season could be done. That’s not the case. There’s still hope; you never know. But I’m just disappointed in the offensive performance. I’m so disappointed.”

(What was the mood at halftime? What did you guys want to accomplish going into the second half that you didn’t?) – “Score points.”

(The chippiness out there with you and CB Byron Maxwell started early in the game. Did that affect your play, or were they trying to get in your head?) – “I was able to get four penalties,





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maybe three or four, maybe even five penalties called. I think I did an amazing job of keeping my emotions in check, but taking the game to him. He was exactly who I thought he was. He's a holder. He's a grabber. That's not how you play football. A lot of those calls put us in very good position and moved us down the field. But the guys around him rallied, because he could have really hurt his team today. But those guys rallied and overcame those penalties, which were huge penalties, and they did a great job. I think that's a testament to Coach Gase and his competitiveness and what he's doing in that locker room over there."

(What were you saying to CB Byron Maxwell when you were jawing out there?) – "All kinds of stuff."

(Like what?) – "Everything. 'Stop holding,' pretty much. 'Stop holding.' He gets paid way too much money to play like that. He needs to believe in himself, and he needs to practice. That's what I was saying."

(You guys got the gift on the muffed punt and took the lead a couple of plays later. How crushing was it, within a minute or so, to lose that lead on the kickoff?) – "I already answered that question/ (It was) very frustrating, extremely frustrating. There's no other way I can answer that question. (I am) disappointed."

(What's not happening on offense? You said you are really disappointed. I understand that WR Eric Decker isn't here – he's on IR – but what isn't clicking?) – "It's just frustrating. This falls on 'Fitz' (Ryan Fitzpatrick) and I. This whole year falls on 'Fitz' and I. We're the leaders on that side of the ball, and we're not getting it done. It's extremely disappointing to be in this situation, so that falls on myself, and that falls on 'Fitz'."

(Following up on that, late in the second quarter the cameras caught you and QB Ryan Fitzpatrick kind of jawing at each other. CB Buster Skrine had to step in there. Could you just take us through that and what was going on there?) – "I don't think anyone had to step in there."

(Or just what may have precipitated there, the frustration.) – "You guys know how I feel about 'Fitz' (Ryan Fitzpatrick). I stood on the table for him this whole offseason, and I would do it again. That wouldn't change. But we're here to produce, and this falls on him and I. We have to make plays. That's part of the ballgame. So much on the line today – every single game – but obviously, we were sitting at 3-5. Every single play counts. Every single drive counts. Things got a little heated, and it's part of the game. My love for 'Fitz' and how I feel about 'Fitz' is not going to change. It hasn't changed. This





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is all part of sports. We're fighting, we're scratching, we're clawing to get things going. It's disappointing, and this falls on him and it falls on myself."

(Do you feel like you need to be targeted more? Is that part of your frustration?) – "I'm a wide receiver. I'm open every single play. I'm expecting the ball every single play, but that's never the case. I'm that type of guy. I'm competitive. I'm fiery. I think I'm always open, and when I'm not open, I still want the ball. So, that's a tough question to ask. My mentality is ... My role in this offense is to pull coverage. That's how I approach the game. That means that I'm dominating my one-on-one matchups so they have to play coverage, they have to double team me, they have to cheat a safety to the other side. A prime example: after we get three or four penalties, No. 41 (Byron Maxwell), they start cheating the safety to my side, and we throw a post to Jalin Marshall for a touchdown. When we're rolling like that and our offense is clicking like that, I don't have to always catch the ball to impact the ballgame. But when defenses fear me making a play, that's what happens. To answer your question, yes, I want the ball every single play."

(Your exchange with QB Ryan Fitzpatrick on the sideline – your conversation – what was your message to him in that moment?) – "(I am) trying to think, because we talked a lot today on the sidelines. I'm trying to think what we were we coming off. I think it was third-and-short, and I saw man-to-man (coverage) and No. 41 (Byron Maxwell) again holding me, and that could've been a huge play for us. The refs usually don't call that if the ball is not coming. So, if the ball would have come my way on that particular call, we probably would have gotten a pass interference or a defensive holding, so that was a missed opportunity for us."

New York Jets WR Jalin Marshall (transcribed by Jason D. Silver)

(How much of an emotional rollercoaster was this thing? It was kind of back and forth.) – "It's football. Things happen that you can't control. You try to eliminate as many mistakes as possible, but when you make more mistakes than the other team, it's hard to win the game."

(Unfortunately, it came in a losing effort, but can you just take us through the play, your touchdown?) – "We were in the red zone, guys playing outside. I know I just had to beat him across his face and 'Fitz' (Ryan Fitzpatrick) threw a great ball. It allowed us to go up in the game."

(It seemed to have a pretty good zip on that.) – "It was a pretty good zip (and) something that we have been working on. He put it right where it needed to be, and it was great."





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New York Jets CB Darrelle Revis (transcribed by Armando Gonzalez)

(The penalties seem to creep up every week especially on untimely plays. Are you surprised at not only the penalties but the type of penalties that have played in this scene?) – “Some of the penalties were questionable, I think in some of the situations. (Jarvis) Landry if you look at him on film and you study him on film he’s usually the kind of one that’s in the middle of a lot of those flags. He is the one that is usually throwing the first punch, he threw a punch he grabbed Buster Skrine’s facemask and that’s not how you play football at the end of the day. I don’t know about some of the other ones because maybe I was on the other side of the field or what not, but a couple of times I’ve said something to the ref’s; Watch 14 after he makes a catch he wants to do his extra dancing or whatever he wants to do and they don’t call anything. Overall the penalties for us we can’t let happen, those are in yardage for us and we definitely have to understand that. Sometimes we’re playing great defense and we put ourselves in a hole by some of those and it hurts.”

(Did you see the one [penalty] on Calvin Pryor really early in the game he made a tackle in the backfield and they called him for taunting?)- “I remember him coming back to the huddle dancing. From my point of view I don’t see it being taunting, he was dancing; celebrating and he had his back turned from their huddle. I don’t know, usually when it’s that type of penalty the guy is usually facing taunting... he’s turned around faced towards the huddle or player and taunting. I didn’t see him do anything like that so, I guess that flag came because of the first incident between Buster (Skrine) and (Jarvis) Landry and I think that they were just on high alert on those type of... during that time it was very emotional on the field you can tell and that is why the other flag came.”

(How disappointing is a game that looked like you were going to pull it out on kickoff return, how disappointing is the loss?)- “It’s definitely a shocker. We felt we were dialed in this week in practice of what they do offensively, it’s a letdown it’s definitely a letdown. We felt that we had them dialed into a ‘t’ and we couldn’t pull it out today.”

New York Jets DL Sheldon Richardson (transcribed by Armando Gonzalez)

(Do you feel that you guys shot yourself in the foot with all the penalties?) – “A little bit, but that goes back and forth. A guy punches you in the face and the referee looking at it and waiting on a retaliation and they throw the flag on you it’s a little different. But it is what it is I guess you have to turn the other cheek be the bigger man.”





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(What did Todd [Bowles] tell you after the game?)- “We gave them the game, they won we gave it to them and they took. It’s just like that.”

(You and Mauldin [Lorenzo] didn’t played the first quarter; coach said it was a coach’s decision, what happened?)- “That was the starting lineup and that’s where I was.”

