



NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS AT MIAMI DOLPHINS HARD ROCK STADIUM

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POSTGAME QUOTES

New England Patriots DL Alan Branch (transcribed by Jason D. Silver)

(You're the number one scoring defense in the NFL and on top to that, to really dominate the way you guys have in the past two months...what does that mean to you guys?) – "It means a lot. We work really hard to try to perfect our game and we definitely have some things that we need to fix. But knowing that we're doing pretty well on the defensive side because usually this is an offensive team is pretty special."

(You managed to force 14 turnovers in the last six games collectively as a defense. How much energy can you guys play off of off when you force turnovers at that kind of rate?) – "It's exciting seeing the guys get the ball and being able to put the offense in the short field. We get excited and we go for it. That's a point of emphasis every day during practice, and I guess the practice habits are going to the field in the game."

(What's the message from Bill [Belichick] and just inside this locker room as you guys gear up for a week off and now know that it's one and done football?) – "Honestly I'm not expecting a week off. I'm ready to go practice next week and we don't know who we're going to be playing against but we have to go work on ourselves and do a little self-scouting and self...scouting basically just make sure we get all the p's and q's down and make sure we come to this playoffs in the right mindset."

