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Wyatt Omsberg

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Columbus 3, Chicago Fire FC 0

Q. Curious, you come on at 3-0, I'm very curious how you saw the match unfolding from the bench, and coming on in that kind of circumstance what is that like and how did you think the side fared after that?

WYATT OMSBERG: Yeah, it was going to be a difficult game playing away, short week against a really good team. From the bench, a couple tough bounces, tough calls, however you want to look at it we go down early and just maybe started a little bit flat. Just I think in general, just unfortunate.

And then, yeah, you know, Mauricio goes down pretty early, and I think, you know, my mentality was there's probably 15, 20 minutes left, just try and stop the bleeding a little bit and try and limit their chances. Maybe we can steal them before the half. I think a tough start for us. I think if we can take any positives, we had a good second half, and we're going to turn the page and focus on Saturday now.

Q. I know you don't want to talk about this game too much, and the team is having a tough spell right now, how can the team get ready with a quick turnaround against New England?

WYATT OMSBERG: Just put this one behind us. Tough night overall like I said. We need to think back. Just a couple weeks ago, we were in a really good form. Before the Leagues Cup, we had won a lot of games in a row and we won a couple games away in a lot of tough places to play. I think we know that we have the capability to play with anybody in the League and I think we just need to start showing it again because it's a critical point in the season and Saturday is a big one for us. We'll just turn the page, put it behind us and get ready for Saturday.

Q. Despite the poor recent results, still a lot of Chicago fans in the crowd. How nice for the players to have them up there and how much of a motivational

factor will it be going forward knowing that you still have the support of these fans?

WYATT OMSBERG: Yeah, it was huge. Like I said, it's a tough place to play, and we had a good number in that session. We really appreciate it. It's a Wednesday night and we had a lot of people show up. Disappointing to not give them a better performance tonight.

But yeah, we'll try and make things right on Saturday. Our fans have been there through thick and thin. It's obviously been a little bit more difficult but we're hoping to turn things around starting Saturday, a huge game for us for sure.

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