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Phillip Dorsett

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Q. I know you've dealt with injury early on in camp. Where do you feel like you're at right now?

PHILLIP DORSETT: I feel good. I feel like I'm clicking right now. I feel comfortable. I'm healthy, thank God. So I'm just out here just trying to make the most out of every day.

Q. Talk about that catch you made this past weekend. Your immediate reaction to that. You pop your helmet off, you were hyped. Going back and looking at the film what were your thoughts?

PHILLIP DORSETT: We needed to play. The offense was stagnant. We needed somebody to just go out there, just make a splash play just to get everybody up off their feet.

It was cover two. I had a hole shot. Davis laid it up there and I seen the safety coming, so all I -- I just focused on the ball, catch the ball, brace yourself, take the hit, try to get your feet down.

I didn't know if I got them down, but once I took the hit and I wasn't dazed or nothing, I just took my helmet off and they were jawing at me, so I just jawed back at them.

Q. How much of this offense have we not seen yet?

PHILLIP DORSETT: I would say a lot of it. Obviously in the preseason you don't want to show your best stuff. Brandon hasn't even played yet, so we're not showing a lot. You've got to keep a lot of it secret. You've always got -- the coach is going to be watching.

We're going to open it up eventually, but not yet.

Q. In those meeting rooms as you're breaking down the past couple games what is that -- they trying to evaluate you guys but also work into the offense...(indiscernible.)

PHILLIP DORSETT: Yeah, I mean, everything is simple right now. We're running day one install stuff. Just the



evaluation period is just going out there and playing, who can give the most effort. When the ball comes to you who can make the play, who can make the blocks. Just going out there and just fighting every play.

Q. You don't feel like you've checked the box on that yet?

PHILLIP DORSETT: Me? Oh, everybody? I feel like we're checking boxes. We're winning games. Even though they're preseason you want to go out there and win every game. Obviously we're not there yet, but we're getting better every day, and we've just got to keep going.

Q. (Indiscernible.)

PHILLIP DORSETT: Yeah, I mean, like you said, we do have a lot of vets. Obviously Nico is young, but we complement each other. Me and Cooks are similar guys, speed guys, guys that can stretch the field.

Obviously we've got Con in and you've got C-Mo, veteran guys that can catch the ball very well, can also run. I feel like we've got a pretty well-rounded group, along with the young guys that can come in there and make big plays like they did in the first game.

I feel like we've got a pretty good group, but we're still growing and we've got to keep growing, keep getting better.

Q. You talked about the offense being a little bit stagnant. Going back to Friday's game, was that frustrating knowing that you guys could do more but you just couldn't?

PHILLIP DORSETT: I mean, it's always frustrating when you're not moving the ball, no matter who's out there, no matter what play is called. Everybody has an assignment on each game and you've got to go out and execute it, and we weren't doing that at first.

At the end of the day, football is about momentum. You need somebody to make a play and then another big play follow up on that, and then it's a trickle-down effect. It's



football. Everything isn't easy, but you've got to make the best of it.

Q. We see him every day in practice, after a couple of games, who's the receiver room, who's the offense talking about defensively that has really just kind of (indiscernible) for you?

PHILLIP DORSETT: Of our defense? Some of the young guys. Obviously you've got Pitre, you've got Stingley, those guys. You can see the talent is there. Obviously they're young and they're going to get so much better, but they definitely jump off in the film room.

They're making veteran plays, plays that rookies shouldn't make, and they're only going to get better because they're still young. It's definitely great to see for the future.

Q. It looked like Steven Nelson had two (indiscernible) catches. What's it like going against him and the type of style of play you've seen?

PHILLIP DORSETT: Yeah, he's another great veteran out there. I've played against him a lot. I was with him at the Senior Bowl. He played on the other team. He's a guy that's been around, played a lot of football, played in big games. He's just a veteran.

Sometimes when you're a veteran you just see stuff different, and he's one of those guys that just comes out here, he works hard every day, he's very consistent, and he makes plays.

Q. What excites you most about (indiscernible)? What excites you most when the regular season starts?

PHILLIP DORSETT: I would say the way that he's going to utilize his playmakers. Obviously offensive football is about getting your playmakers the ball, and I think that he's really great at that.

And once we start opening it up, I think people are starting to see it. But obviously right now it's preseason football. We're going out, we're trying to win every game, but still not trying to show everything. Things will get better.

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