## New England Patriots Media Conference

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## Miami Dolphins Ryan Fitzpatrick

Postgame Media Conference

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Q. Ryan, want to get your thoughts on your play today. Obviously the three interceptions stand out to us.

RYAN FITZPATRICK: Yeah. You can't do that and win games in the National Football League. We're going against the Patriots, you know you have to take advantage of the possessions you get. And having a couple of turnovers there doesn't help. But I thought up front we played well. I gotta play better in my part and then we'll move on to next week.

Q. On those turnovers, Ryan, what happened with some of those passes? It looked like tight coverage on couple of them. Were you trying to get the PI, particularly the one with Gesicki?

RYAN FITZPATRICK: Yeah, the first one was one-on-one with Preston and Steph and there was some contact there. But that is what it is. The second one, definitely they did a good job on that one. I threw it right to their free player in the middle of the field. And then that last one, yeah, just trying to make something happen in the end zone to try to conserve some time at the end of the game there. And sometimes it works out. Sometimes it doesn't when you throw those type of throws.

Q. What did you think about the play of your backs seems like Myles Gaskin got some run early on and got maybe extra more workflow than what we were expecting?

RYAN FITZPATRICK: Myles did a nice job. We broke some tackles. Not only in the run game but in the pass game made some nice plays. So that was exciting to see today.

Q. When Preston went out limited you guys a bit on offense how much of a blow was that when you lost



your number one receiver - I'm sorry DeVante not Preston.

RYAN FITZPATRICK: It's one of those things, DeVante started off doing some nice things. And we practiced with all those other guys plenty. So that's something that happens every week in the National Football League every week but definitely can't use that as an excuse. I've got to do a better job. We've got to find a way to get it done.

Q. The guys up front, how did you think Austin Jackson and Solomon Kindley did along with the rest of the O line?

RYAN FITZPATRICK: I'm not sitting there watching them on every play. But I didn't really get touched a whole lot back there. And just in terms of their mood and mentality and the way they were in the huddle, I thought that was all really good to see. Definitely a different vibe out there with no fans. But those guys were into it. And from what I can tell I thought they did a nice job.

Q. I know a lot of what your receivers do well a lot of those jump ball situations but looked like that was sort of the focus of your offense in the passing game. Was that what you guys wanted or did you want some situations where you could take a little bit more shots down the field?

RYAN FITZPATRICK: Well, with New England, they're going to do basically play man-to-man in those type of situations. And so a lot of times they are going to be those tight contested throws. And some of them we got some PI calls on. Some of them we completed. And some of them we didn't. They're tough. They do a good job. They definitely have a better secondary. They play well together. And I would say their secondary played better than I did today.

Q. Fitz, you just touched on there not being fans out there, feeling kind of weird. Do you think it helps/hurts when there's momentum shifts, you guys able to get into a rhythm realizing how quiet it is?

RYAN FITZPATRICK: I think it will be an adjustment. It's the same for both teams. So I think we'll both have to adjust. But we had the play in the second half where they fumbled into the end zone we got the ball went down and

. . . when all is said, we're done.

scored and you could still feel the momentum with that play happen on defense and then how we went down there and scored on offense. You could still feel those shifts. They're coming from a different place, coming from the sideline, coming from your teammates. I think we realized that as the game went on.

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