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Dillon Johnson

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Q. Dillon, why do you think (indiscernible.) Last few weeks?

DILLON JOHNSON: Just the execution. Lack of communication. Just trying to be on the same page with each other. We're trying to find a way, but it's getting better. We'll find a way.

Q. Offense for while this season looked like it was just working really fast, last couple weeks. Scored points today, but everything wasn't in rhythm quite the same way. You have a sense of why that is last couple games?

DILLON JOHNSON: I think teams are doing a -- got to give credit to other teams. They're doing a really good job of studying, like moving the defensive linemen around, blitzing at the right times, and they just playing hard.

You know, we can't get complacent. We got to go out there and take every team just as we would any other team. So just staying level headed and not getting too cocky.

So, yeah.

Q. Jabbar was just saying that you get every team's best effort because you're the No. 5 team in the country. Do you feel that, that you're going to have to deal with the rest of the way?

DILLON JOHNSON: Yeah, absolutely. And another thing is I think last year's team, last year's team would not have won the games we won this year. Just the maturity, the growth that both the defense and offenses collectively has come through.

Because, you know, if ya'll didn't know, even Arizona State, they beat us the last 13 out of 15 times, so any Arizona team is tough. Stanford played us tough, man. Lucky we came out with the W.

Q. Where is the confidence for the offense right now?

DILLON JOHNSON: We're still confident, just trying to -- actually we're just trying to stay level headed. That's the thing. We know we can score and we got the guys on the offense to score any time we want. It's all about execution. That's what we got to do.

Q. Dillon, in terms of overcoming adversity, you guys had two chances to put the game away; two turnovers; and then come back and score again. What was the mindset of this offense? What were you talking about coming off the field after those turnovers?

DILLON JOHNSON: Ball security. That's been our problem last two games: Turnovers. I think we had four turnovers versus Arizona State and tonight I guess -- I think we had two or three. We can't turn the ball over when you're playing a team like Stanford that they're going to play hard. They come and they're come to go play hard, we're at their house.

But I think we got to just execute better, man. Just really do.

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