

NFL International Series

Colts vs Patriots

Sunday, 12 November 2023

Frankfurt am Main, Hesse, Germany

Deutsche Bank Park

New England Patriots

Coach Bill Belichick

Postgame Press Conference



Colts 10, Patriots 6

BILL BELICHICK: Obviously it was a disappointing game. Similar theme that we've had to other games this year. Just too many missed opportunities in all three phases of the game. Just got to play better situational football and do a better job taking advantage of the opportunities that we have. We just didn't do a good enough job today.

Q. Just ahead of the bye week, is this the future of Mac Jones, or will we see him return again in two weeks' time?

BILL BELICHICK: Yeah, we're worry about next week next week. The game just finished a half hour ago.

Q. What made Bailey the best option --

BILL BELICHICK: I just thought it was time for a change.

Q. Was any of that related to injury?

BILL BELICHICK: Yeah, look, I made the decision. That's what it was. We'll deal with next week next week.

Q. Do you still have faith in Mac Jones as your quarterback?

BILL BELICHICK: I have faith in all our players.

Q. What do you think about the German fans? Did you like the atmosphere of the game?

BILL BELICHICK: Yeah, it was good. It was good energy in the stadium. They were into it. Yeah, it was a good day.

Q. On the all-out punt rush, is that the way you wanted to play that play?

BILL BELICHICK: Not exactly, but yeah. He hit a good ball.

Q. You definitely didn't want a returner back?

BILL BELICHICK: Well, there were a couple different options on the play, but the punter ended up hitting a good ball, Sanchez hit a good ball, got rolling.

Q. Does benching Mac Jones in that situation with the game on the line make it difficult to reinsert him as the starting quarterback?

BILL BELICHICK: Yeah, again, we'll deal with next week next week.

Q. Are you happy with the return you're getting from Ezekiel Elliott?

BILL BELICHICK: Look, I think a lot of players are playing pretty good football, but as a team we're just not doing enough things we need to do to win. Everybody needs to do better. Simple as that.

Q. How much does the talk about your job security bother you?

BILL BELICHICK: Well, I just do the best I can every day.

Q. Robert Kraft before the game talked about the season. He said it's been really disappointing, and I hope things are going to be better. Are those sentiments he's expressed to you directly?

BILL BELICHICK: I think we all feel that way. I think we're all disappointed in the season. But we'll keep going here. Seven games to go. Be ready to go next week against the Giants.

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