

NFL International Series

Commanders vs Dolphins

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Bernabéu Stadium

Miami Dolphins

Tua Tagovailoa

Postgame Press Conference



Dolphins - 16, Commanders - 13

Q. Tua, after a long week overseas, how good does it feel to get a win?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: It feels great. First and foremost, I want to thank my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for this platform, for this opportunity, for that game we were able to play. We don't take this game for granted as football players, having families, wives, people traveling from the States to come here. It's a great opportunity, great chance for us to play this sport.

It was really cool that we got to go out there and play in front of fans that have traveled with us and then new fans as well that were out here in Spain.

But to answer your question, it was just a collective team win. It took offense, took defense, and it also took special teams. We fed off each other. When defense gave us a stop, we turned it into points, and then vice versa. If we got stopped, defense would go back and forth with that. That's how to answer that.

Q. First international game, how does it feel as you get this international win?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: As I said, great team victory. All wins are good, and we're going to carry this momentum along throughout the bye week and hopefully take it into our next game.

Q. What did you think of Jack Jones' interception and the field position you had off of that?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: It was cool. I was looking at the Jumbotron from where I was sitting. First play of overtime, you never -- you're trying to look at everything while also trying to focus on what you're doing. So you never try to relax. But seeing it on the Jumbotron, he got the interception.

Q. You ran the ball pretty much down the field. At the goal line, it got a little tougher. What were they doing down there that made things difficult?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: I think they were trying to stack the box, just go man outside with our receivers, try to stack the box and try to compress everything, force it outside. But we had a great one with Ollie, and props to the guys up front, then Ollie finishing the job with that.

Q. You can see both teams just a couple of days before the match was going to happen. How do you feel it's different for you to come here for almost a week, spend the time training?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: I think the biggest thing would be the time difference, trying to get our bodies adjusted to the sleep schedule. A lot of the times we were meeting, it was like 1:00 or 12:00 in the morning back home in Miami. So I think that was the biggest adjustment.

Q. (Difference between fans in Frankfurt and fans in Madrid)?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: I would say different with the fans there, I'm not too sure how much knowledge -- you know, when we played in Frankfurt, how much knowledge those people knew about football versus here, but I think it was just as electric as it was there as it is here.

I think we're very grateful to have been able to play the first game out here in Spain.

Q. All that history with you and Marcus obviously. Did you have a chance to speak to him after the game?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: Yeah, I got a chance to speak to him after the game. I think it was more, after I told him great job, great seeing him, more of things that he wanted to share with me that I really appreciated, that I won't share here. But it was more things that he shared with me that I took and I really appreciated.

Q. In terms of momentum that can be built off of these two consecutive wins?



TUA TAGOVAILOA: I would say we -- we're going to enjoy this win. We're going to get back into Miami, we're going to get back into the building, we're going to look at things we need to clean up. We're going to have our meetings and whatnot, see and figure out how we can continue to keep the momentum going through the bye week and then whatever the following week would be, whoever we would play.

Q. As far as international games for the NFL, where would you like to see them play next?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: Hawaii. So United States again, but just go play in Hawaii. I think that would be pretty cool. But in Europe? Shoot, it would be pretty cool to go play in Jerusalem, I don't know. That would be sick.

Q. Did you have family watching this in Hawaii?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: I didn't have any family watching this at 4:00 in the morning.

Q. (No microphone)?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: I think a lot of the guys on the team would love to continue playing given the momentum that we have, the momentum that we've built collectively in all three phases, but it is what it is. We're going to go through our bye week, but that's not without talking about how we can continue to stay on that momentum train following the next game week.

Q. (No microphone)?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: Yeah, I don't look at it as me winning or someone losing. I think this was most definitely a team victory. It was the Miami Dolphins that won the game. So I'm just blessed that I got to come out here, experience some food, experience the culture out here for a little bit, go walking getting to see the city a little bit.

Yeah, I would say this is just a Miami Dolphins win, and it was good to get a win.

Q. You have a superstar in Miami, Lionel Messi. Do you know him? And would you like to play in Barcelona next time?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: Sure, I think everyone knows him.

Q. Do you know him personally?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: I don't know him personally.

Q. Would you like to play in Barcelona next?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: Yeah, I'm up for anything. I like to go and experience the cultures, different cultures, foods,

and whatnot. So I think that would be cool.

Q. What do you think about the stadium? Is it an NFL caliber stadium? What do you think about it?

TUA TAGOVAILOA: I think it was a really good stadium. A lot of guys compared it to Jerry Jones, like Jerry's World. I never played there, so I wouldn't know too much about that. It kind of reminds me a little bit of the Chargers, kind of the Chargers stadium and the Rams stadium back in the U.S. That's what I would say.

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