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OMAR GONZALEZ:

Q. You were surrounded by yellow shirts when the Soteldo kick came in. Was that a well-placed delivery or is that what you do, causing havoc on set pieces?

OMAR GONZALEZ: Well, it was just a well-placed free kick. I think Yeferson put in a great ball, and I just kept my eye on him seeing when he was going to start this run and I timed it perfectly this time. This also happened against Miami, I believe -- no. It was against someone -- it was one where I got called off-side, we almost had it and I knocked it down to Tsubasa came close that time, too. So it was just about being alert, being ready, and yeah, again Yeferson put in a great ball.

Q. How big of a win was this in terms of lifting what has been a huge weight resting on the team's shoulders the last two months almost?

OMAR GONZALEZ: I can't stress this enough how big this win was for us because you know, we've been losing and it may seem like, you know, everything's going wrong but man, I tell you what, day-in and day-out, guys are putting in the work. Guys are coming into the training ground and have been pushing this whole year, and of course things haven't gone our way, but we still show up every single day to work hard, to push for those three points, to bring the energy, and so to finally get a win at home here at BMO, it's beyond words. I mean, it's been a really, really crazy year,.

And so we get these three points and now we savor it, we live in it for tonight, for tomorrow even, and then it's time to get -- for all of us to focus on the next three points and the next win and how we're going to do that. It's something that we just need to build off of.

Q. You dealt with the long throws of Nashville better this time than perhaps that one that snuck in in the last match, but Alex was called upon to make a big save on one occasion. Can we get a few words about your goal keeper and his contribution tonight?

OMAR GONZALEZ: Yeah, I think Bones didn't have to do much tonight but when it came down to it, he made some big saves, and one of them was on that throw-in that managed to get through us, and yeah, I think he made a brilliant kick save. Bones was focused tonight and came up big and was strong back there and came out on a few crosses and really gave all of us a lot of confidence. I think Bones played great.

Q. You're talking about some of the momentum you can build on a win like this and a performance like this, and you have a Cup game on Wednesday night. Talk about how you think you can play into that game building off of this performance?

OMAR GONZALEZ: Yeah, you know, this is something that's been spoken about inside the club and inside our locker room, how important the Canadian Championship is to us, and so for this win to come right before the opening game of the Canadian championship is huge. Guys were smiling tonight for the first time in a long time after coming in from a game, and so that felt great, and now it's about -- now it's about repeating that.

And so we go again on Wednesday night, and again, this is -- this is big for us, and so we're going to build off of this, come into training focused, ready to go, and just show you are our opponent respect and bring the same energy that we brought tonight.

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