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Q. We'll just start with your thoughts on the match tonight, please.

JONATHAN OSORIO: I think it was a good match for us, good performance. We good down a goal again, and for the second time in a row, the response was really good. You know, we earn a penalty right after. We miss it but even the response after that was really good and I thought that was important, and so we find the equalizer before the half. Yeah, it was a great match and I thought we played really well. We executed the plan very well and we're on a roll and we want to keep it going.

Q. It's two games in a row now where you've come-from-behind to record wins whereas early in the season when you conceded first, it was usually meant almost always -- do you have a sense of what's changed? Why are you guys suddenly now able to come from behind?

JONATHAN OSORIO: I think we changed. We were trying to find the right system for the team and because of injuries and certain things we had to adapt, I think we found a system that really suits us and is the best way for to us play and give us a chance to win games. Along with that, you know, getting I think the Miami game brought us a lot of confidence in the way we fought, even going a man down. It's just going off the confidence of the previous game and we've been doing that ever since the Miami game and so every game we've had more confidence and even if we go down a goal we can come right back.

Yeah, I think it's a combination of a lot of things, and you know, guys in the locker room care. There's guys that really care and want to keep fighting, so we'll keep doing that.

Q. What's your thoughts on just how Soteldo is sort of playing these days? He admitted that he's struggled a little bit missing his family and all that kind of thing. Lately you could see he's been lights out. Could you offer a comment on how he's doing and how he's playing these days?

JONATHAN OSORIO: He's playing very well. He's very effective for us and if we move him to the middle playing as kind of a striker, a false nine, and I think that's suiting him. He's stretching the back line for us, which I think we need in our team. He's in the front three with guys that are stretching the back line making a lot of space for them and making them dangerous as well as making space for guys like me and Marc and Michael in the middle.

I think you know people judge him on not scoring goals and stuff but he contributes a lot. He's been contributing a lot of our goals. He's been a big part of most of our goals, but I think he's more of a provider than a goal scorer but it's good for him. It was good for him to get on the score sheet and that's going to give him confidence and so I think he's only going to get better as he figures out the week and gets his confidence, he'll be more and more effective for us.

Q. As you know, we don't get to see you much these days. We don't get to go to training, so we don't have a sense of what the team is like away from the games. This run the team is on now, the unbeaten run, is it fun coming into work these days or is it going to take a few more wins before fun comes into it?

JONATHAN OSORIO: No, it's fun. You know, in this line of work, sometimes when things aren't going good and of course when you're not winning, you easily forget the blessing that we have; we're all here doing what we love and we get to do it every day. There's not many people in this world that get to say that. You know, even more so in the middle of a pandemic when so much things have happened to people and their businesses and things like that, and so you know, when things were bad, we'll always have to find a way to keep the spirit up, and you always have to find a way to be grateful no matter what. Of course we're in a business where winning solves everything. Winning, that's just the way it is, and that's fine but of course, nowadays we're winning, so it's fun. It's fun but we try to keep it fun every day. We can't let the setbacks brings us down and bring us down in our lives. We have to always remember, we are privileged to do what we -- to be able to do what we do and we have to come to work and not take that for granted and try to use it to get better and



have fun and enjoy it even in the hard times. To answer your question, right now it is fun during that unbeaten run.

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