



Coaches Quotes

Florida State 74, Miami 80

Sunday, January 7, 2018

Watsco Center, Coral Gables, Fla.

University of Miami Head Coach Jim Larranaga

Opening statement

"I'm just very happy with the win, I think this is a great rivalry between Miami and Florida State. I told someone before the game that a friend of mine who had seen Florida State play a number of times told me he thinks it's the best Florida State team since Leonard (Hamilton)'s been there. So obviously I'm very respectful and know that Leonard has built a great program there and that our guys were going to have to play very, very hard and play very well. It was two top-25 teams going at each other and we were very fortunate to come out on top."

On Chris Lykes:

"When we recruited Chris, we saw him play in high school, you can immediately see the electricity he brings to the game with his speed, quickness and scoring ability. We're very excited about him being here, I thought he played terrific tonight, but like all freshmen, he's learning and I think there are some things that will make him a much better player as he gets older, but tonight he was really in charge."

On Bruce Brown:

"If you watched his practice yesterday, we did not make a shot, anybody. And so last night I was at a wedding, I called the guys on the way back from the wedding and I told Bruce, you need to just go watch highlights of yourself to see how good you are. So right after the game was over he said "I did, I went and watched highlights of myself!" I think sometimes the guys just need confidence, I have confidence in them. Confidence comes and goes for all players at all levels."

On Dewan Huell:

"I've worked a lot with Dewan the last two seasons and if I don't have confidence in him, I don't know who would, but he's having a great sophomore year