

2020 AIR FORCE RESERVE MW MEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP FIRST ROUND GAME #2 (March 4, 2020)

GAME NOTES

Final Score: No. 7 Seed New Mexico 79, No. 10 Seed San José State 66

- With the win, New Mexico improves to 20-16 all-time in the Mountain West Men's Basketball Championship, becoming just the third school to reach 20 all-time tournament wins. The Lobos will take on No. 2 seed Utah State in the quarterfinal, with the Lobos winning the lone meeting in the regular season finale on Feb. 29, 66-64.
- New Mexico was led by junior guard/forward Vance Jackson, who notched his third double-double of the season with 26 points and 12 rebounds on 9-of-16 shooting.
 Additionally, it was Jackson's fourth 20-point game of the season. The Lobos are 3-1 this year when Jackson eclipses the 20-point mark.
- UNM also got a strong performance from junior guard/forward **Makuach Maluach**, who scored a season-high 22 points on an efficient 8-of-11 shooting.
- The Lobos utilized a 21-0 run in the first half in which they held San José State scoreless for 8:53 to take control of the game and take a 16-point lead into halftime.
- The 16-point halftime-lead for New Mexico was its highest of the season. New Mexico's previous largest halftime lead was 11 points on four separate occasions.
- New Mexico senior forward **Corey Manigault** rounded out the scoring for the Lobos with 18 points. The trio of Jackson, Maluach and Manigault combined for 66 of New Mexico's 79 points.
- San José State was led by sophomore guard/forward **Seneca Knight**, who recorded his 12th 20-point game of the season with 22 points. It was his 7th 20-point game in the last nine games.
- The Spartans also got a career-best 17 points on 8-of-10 shooting from freshman guard Omari Moore. His previous high was 12 points on Feb. 25, 2020 at Utah State.