Penn State Women's Basketball Teniya Page, and Kamaria McDaniel Postgame Press Conference vs. Jacksonville– December 2, 2018

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Q: I just wanted to ask for both of you actually, what has life been like without Amari Carter in the starting lineup?. How have you guys been able to adjust your own game, and how has the team been able to rally around each other and play a different style?

A: I think the difference is everyone becoming more locked in to what they're good at and what the team needs. Not having Amari [Carter] is big but we have a lot of people on our team that can play. We have a lot of guards that can play multiple positions. I think we just had the confidence in each other. It took us a while to adjust to it from the two previous games, but we still have confidence in each other, and we worked on it in practice. Everyone is locked in to doing what they have to do.

Q: Teniya, the season is still young and now you've had a couple of really great scoring performances under your belt. Do you feel like you're getting more comfortable with this team this year, or do you think the beginning was just a weird slump?

A: I think I am becoming more comfortable with this team, but I also think it might be a little bit due to having a weird slump to begin with, but my teammates and the coaches have confidence in me to keep shooting, and keep getting everybody else involved. I have to stick with that and keep pushing forward because I know they believe in me and I believe in them.

Q: Obviously you guys are a little young with Karisma starting, and your front court being very freshman-based. How have you, Teniya, been able to take them under your wing, show them the culture, and integrate them into the system?

A: They're getting a lot of experience early. Them having experience right now is very good for our team moving forward, and later down the line. They listen, and I constantly try to tell them what to do, and put them in the right spaces and make sure they know what to do in practice it's starting to carry over into the games. That's pretty much all I'm doing. I think everybody else is doing a good job telling them what to do as well. It's not all on me. Siyeh [Frazier] has helped a lot, Alisia [Smith] has helped a lot, Kamari [McDaniel] has helped a lot. Even Amari [Carter], and Jaida [Travisco-Green] have helped even though they're not playing right now. It's a collective effort from everybody on the team and the coaches.

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Q: Kamaria, what can you take away from this precious starting experience?

A: I mean it's just like any other game. I just approach it the same. I just have to start the game now with intensity. Like she [Teniya] said, we all know what we bring to the team. I just have to start off doing that from the game, so that's what I try to do, and make sure there's no drop off, so that's what it has been like.

Q: Both you ladies had excellent games beyond the three-point line. Was that something that you guys really wanted to hit on for this game, part of the game plan, or were you just taking open threes because that's what they were giving you?

A: Well for me, what my team needs from me when she [Teniya] talks about that is the team needs me to be a three-point threat so that we can spread the floor. That's what I have been focused on personally. Making sure that I'm finding open spots, and shooting available threes. That's definitely something that I have been focusing on lately for me, and our whole team. We have confidence in each other to make open shots, and we create those shots for each other.