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**An Interview With:**

**UNIVERSITY OF IOWA  
COACH LISA BLUDER  
STACY SCHLAPKOHL  
WENDY AUSDEMORE**

THE MODERATOR: We have head coach Lisa Bluder, Stacy Schlapkohl and Wendy Ausdemore. If you would start with an opening statement, then we'll take questions for the student-athletes.

COACH LISA BLUDER: Obviously we're very disappointed, especially with the way the game started out. We thought we had taken pretty good control of this game. Purdue did a tremendous job of fighting back and staying composed when they were down by 17, and they just kept chipping away at it. Unfortunately, we turned the ball over way too many times and we gave up 25 points off of turnovers, and that's just too many.

The turnovers and the 16 offensive rebounds we gave up were the two things that really caused a loss for us today.

THE MODERATOR: We will now take questions for the student-athletes.

**Q. Wendy, what is it about their defense that makes it hard to bring the ball up the court and keep control?**

WENDY AUSDEMORE: FahKara [Malone] is great at full-court defense and puts a lot of pressure on our point guards. Their defense did an all-around good job tonight.

**Q. Stacy, what was it like getting out to a 17-point lead? What were your feelings then and later going into second half with a smaller lead?**

STACY SCHLAPKOHL: As with any time you have that big of a lead, we were excited. We were pumped and fired up. We still had a lead at halftime, so I don't think mentally we were affected. We still had the lead, but somewhere in there our defense kind of let up. Like you [Lisa Bluder] said earlier, we had a few too many turnovers that started their little run that continued in the second half.

**Q. Stacy, how difficult was [Keshia] Mosley tonight to keep off the boards?**

STACY SCHLAPKOHL: She's very tough. She's physical and she's a big body in there. We tried to push her off the block and tried to box her out, and we did the best we can. She was just very physical inside.

THE MODERATOR: Thank you, ladies.

We will now take questions for Coach Bluder.

**Q. Lisa, your turnovers were big, but not being able to turn Purdue over must have hurt. They only had six turnovers tonight. How big was not being able to get them to cough it up a little bit?**

COACH LISA BLUDER: Combining those together, and just the differential between them, it's a difference of 13.

I definitely thought our defense was good to begin with. We just weren't able to keep that up. Purdue forced us into some turnovers that were very, very costly.

**Q. How is Johanna [Solverson]?**

COACH LISA BLUDER: I don't know yet. I haven't been able to talk to the doctor yet to find out how she is. Hopefully she'll be okay.

THE MODERATOR: Thank you, coach.

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