

Coaches' Quotes

Florida State 65, Miami 64

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Miami Head Coach Jim Larrañaga

Opening Statement

‘That was a tremendous college basketball game. It seems like the teams in the ACC are playing these incredibly close games. Last time, we were able to get a stop with eight seconds to go. Tonight, we weren’t. I mean that’s how close these games are. It seems that the last possession determines the success. I thought Florida State did a tremendous job defensively. I thought our guys played very well, and it came down to the last possession.’

Talk us through your motions or thoughts in the final seconds there where Charlie Moore hit that three. What were you thinking at that moment? And then from that to the end of the game...

“I was thinking there’s a lot of time left. Seven seconds is an eternity when you are only up one point. They are very athletic and fast. We tried to contain the dribbler, but (RayQuan) Evans did a great job at just pushing it down the floor at top speed. He tried to get himself all the way to the basket, which he was able to get there, and Charlie (Moore) defended it and obviously, the referee called a foul. So there’s not much you can do about that. He made some clutch free throws. “

What did you tell Charlie after that play?

“I didn’t say anything to Charlie. The game continues. That was his fifth foul and we had to try to inbound the ball and score. What I told him after the game was, ‘you made an incredible shot.’ Jordan Miller had a great offensive rebound, threw it to Charlie, and I thought again that was going to be the game winner. But as it turned out, Florida State was able to come back and get a bucket.”