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HEAD COACH JACK DEL RIO

Opening Statement: “Some really good things out there tonight with our offense. Great to see Derek [Carr] back out there. He was sharp. Hooked up with Jared [Cook], Crab [Michael Crabtree], Amari [Cooper], spectacular catch high point catch. Great to see Marshawn [Lynch] get a couple carries. We didn’t have a huge workload for him, but get him out there and get him started. Get him out real positive. Obviously, Khalil [Mack], our Defensive Player of the Year, comes out here and gets a sack on his first night of action. Overall, I thought our defense was poor in particular early when we started the game. We’re going to have to get a whole lot better there. Overall, we came out of this preseason game healthy and got some good work. Saw some areas where we need to improve, saw some areas where we’re doing some good things and want to build on it. All in all, pleased with the night in terms of a lot of good work, a lot of good exposure, a lot of evaluation and thank goodness we’re relatively healthy coming out of this ballgame. So that was good. Questions?”

Q: How will the team be affected by Sean Smith’s arrest?

Coach Del Rio: “Well I think we’ll let him battle. Legally, what issues he has. I don’t really have anything to add to it. I mean I think you heard the story. He was defending his sister. Obviously, things occurred that were taken issue with, so he’s having to defend himself right now.”

Q: How was the cornerbacks play tonight?

Coach Del Rio: “We’re not trying to give away too much, but yeah I think we brought a couple of guys off the slot tonight. Yeah, I mean we’ve got plans, but I’m less concerned with the play call. I’m more concern with just the basic execution right now. I think we’ll go a long way when we clean some of those things up. The things that we’ve talked about for too long in terms of communication errors, eye violations and things like that that just keep you from ever being really good on defense. Those just have to get cleaned up.”

Q: How do you think Connor Cook played today?

Coach Del Rio: “I thought he played better than EJ [Manuel]. They’re obviously in a battle for the backup spot, and I think tonight Connor was better in the backup role. Either one of them weren’t as sharp as they were the first time out. So, there are a lot of different factors that go into it, but I thought Connor played well tonight.”

Q: What did you see out of Nicholas Morrow?

Coach Del Rio: “Yeah, Nick, those young guys we gave them an opportunity to compete. He finds the ball a little bit. I think Jelani Jenkins went in there and played pretty well in the second or third series and played the rest of the first half. I thought he was pretty solid, too. Those two guys flashed. Nick at the end of the game had a nice breakup. Almost got a pick. Would’ve ended it. Would’ve been nice. So yeah, I think they’re doing a good job.”

Q: Are you seeing eye violations?

Coach Del Rio: “When you see them, it’s not a good thing. It’s not a good thing. Yeah, I mean it’s really simple. You don’t have your eyes where they belong and you’re playing man? You’re playing man or even in zone. If you’re not seeing what you need to see, it makes it hard.”

Q: How do you fix that?

Coach Del Rio: “Well, that’s a challenge. Obviously, I identify what the problem is. Getting it fixed is the challenge.”

Q: Do you like that Derek Carr is engaged in the game even when he’s not playing?

Coach Del Rio: “That’s what we expect. I thought of being engaged, staying in the game, getting every play call, thinking the game, talking about what he’s seeing in the defensive rotation and just kind of mentally playing the game. That’s ideal the way he goes about it. Very professional, great teammate and that’s exactly what we’re looking for.”



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Q: Was the interception he threw a miscommunication or a bad decision?

Coach Del Rio: "I'm not sure. I haven't actually talked to him about that or the offensive staff. I saw it occurred. What he saw, what led to it, I'm not certain of. Ultimately, the quarterback has to shoulder that. The ball came out of his hand, but whether he should have been protected on that with the finish of the route or not, I'm not sure exactly what transpired."

Q: Do you see any positive signs from Marquel Lee over the first few games?

Coach Del Rio: "I think he's actually done some pretty solid things. He's not the first linebacker to ever get exposed in man coverage, which happened last week. So, I think he's actually been pretty solid. We have a pretty solid run front and he's part of that."

Q: This is the second week in a row that Marshawn Lynch has sat during the national anthem. Was there any further discussion after the game about it?

Coach Del Rio: "No."

Q: Was the plan to involve the tight end more this time around?

Coach Del Rio: "We've been working our tight end position pretty good, involving them in our offense throughout the offseason and through training camp. I think tonight you saw a little example of that with Jared [Cook] and Lee [Smith]. I think Jared is a real weapon for us and will look forward to getting him involved and not allowing people to roll up as much to Amari."

Q: What did you see out of your three tackles: Marshall Newhouse, Vadal Alexander and David Sharpe?

Coach Del Rio: "Overall, it felt like the protection was good, felt like we ran the ball pretty solid. I look forward to watching the film. I just don't know enough about line play. Nothing really jumped out one way or the other. That's usually a good sign for the linemen. If there's not a glaring mistake, if it's a quiet night for the offensive line, that's usually a good thing. But I'll be able to comment more on their play when we get back together."

Q: How about Jon Feliciano ending up with the ball?

Coach Del Rio: "Yeah, get down. Don't take that beating. He thinks he's an athlete. It was a heads up play. Caught the ball and got some good, solid yardage. Would just like him to get down but good, solid play."

RAIDERS QB DEREK CARR

Carr: "Oh my goodness it was so nice to be out there. What a privilege it is to be able to walk out that ramp. Last time I was here I didn't get to do that. I'd be lying to you if I said it wasn't emotional. It really was. I was just so thankful. Every single time I'll never take it for granted again to be able to walk up that ramp, walk over to my wife and my babies. It was definitely emotional, now it's over with and it's time to play ball."

Q: Your decision pregame to put your hand on Khalil [Mack's] shoulder, what was the decision behind that?

Carr: "We're not protesting. We're not doing anything like that. We wanted to show the kids that look up to me, look up to him, white kids, black kids, brown kids, blue, green, it doesn't matter. All be loving to each other. We're best friends and we're loving to one another. The only reason we did that was to unify the people that look up to us because obviously you see what's going on in the world. Obviously everyone pays attention to the national anthem nowadays. We just said that obviously this was the best time to do it while still honoring this country because I love this country. We're free to live here and play this game but we're also free to show that we love one another. I think that's the message, the only message we were trying to get out. Any kid, any family, any adult that



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follows us and looks up to us we knew their eyes would be on us and we wanted to show them for a white kid and black kid that grew up in different neighborhoods can grow up and love one another and be best friends.”

Q: How much are players talking about societal issues in the locker room?

Carr: “Honestly, it comes up when something in the world happens. We all get the news in the locker room, we see our phone or something like that. It’s not something we go around and only talk about but it is something that comes up. At the same time, I’m not a politician, I’m not anything like that. I’m not trying to be a spokesperson. All I’m trying to show these kids is that I love everybody and all Khalil was trying to do was show these kids he loves everybody.”

Q: What was it like to have [Marshawn Lynch] back there?

Carr: “Oh man, it got loud. I didn’t want to quiet the crowd, they might get mad at me because Marshawn was running. It was definitely was loud. It felt like we were at an away game on that second play. It was really cool to watch him go and it’s going to be really fun to hand him the ball.”

Q: That touchdown to [Michael] Crabtree?

Carr: “[Crabtree] ran a great route, made the guy fall. I had to take a deep breath as I was throwing it because I was so impressed by his route running. Don’t miss this one, he’s wide open. So I just tried to put a good ball on him and he did the rest.”

Q: Can we quit calling Lee [Smith] a blocking tight end?

Carr: “Quit calling him a blocking tight end. As you see, people just drop him sometimes. That’s one thing we have to take advantage of. We can’t just be limited by a certain personnel group. Lee is one of the guys who has the one of the best sets of hands on the team. Being able to run him up the seam and do things like that, people won’t be able to dictate when he comes in the game what they want to play.”

Q: Where you hoping going into this game, obviously you don’t want to get a hit too much, but getting some contact, getting your feet wet out there?

Carr: “No, no, never. I deal with Khalil [Mack] and Bruce [Irvin] enough running by and grabbing me in practice. I’ve had plenty of that. There was nothing in me that was like ‘man, hopefully I get one hit’. I go into every game with our o-line, I’m trying not to get hit also to save their butts because then they feel bad. I never did, but one of them grabbed my arm so I guess that counts.”

Q: You obviously looked comfortable, but how would you gauge the entire unit’s readiness for the regular season?

Carr: “I don’t want to say we’re not ready because we’re ready to play. Going into a game that you don’t watch film on and playing a team you have no clue what they’re going to do besides knowing coach [Wade] Phillips is their defensive coordinator. You go into that and hope to be efficient and play well. Our sense of urgency will have to pick up but those kinds of things are good corrections because when you hit the field in a preseason game its different than practice. The clock is running, all those things. We really learned today that after a play we need to get back into the huddle. Whatever the outcome is just get back in the huddle and get moving with a sense of urgency.”

Q: Was it the plan for you to play the whole first quarter or did you not want to end on an interception?

Carr: “The plan was for me to play through the first quarter, but coach [Jack] Del Rio, which I loved, would never tell me exactly what I’m going to do. He just wants me to go out threw and play like I’m playing the whole game. He doesn’t want my mind to look up at the clock counting time like ‘is it time? Dang, I only got 30 seconds left.’ He doesn’t really say an exact time but I knew I was probably going to play through the first quarter.”



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Q: Talk about Donald Penn's absence.

Carr: "Obviously, he's our teammate, we love him. We want all of our teammates here. When it comes to another man's situation, I just stay out of it."

Q: What did you see out of Amari [Cooper's] high-play on that deep ball?

Carr: "They put a back-up in. I just tried my best to hold the safety and let Cooper run the route and give him a chance. Before we come out for pregame when we're throwing routes I say 'if it's one-on-one we're going to throw it up, it's either you or nobody'. As long as that continues and they come down with it and the other guys don't we'll keep throwing it up."

Q: You talk about how it was emotional to be on the field again, but how was it for Lee Smith who also missed the majority of last year to connect on that touchdown?

Carr: "The coolest thing for Lee [Smith] was that he ran more than 5 yards down the field so he did all the stretching and all those things beforehand. We got to stretch the ball down the field for him. I'm sure he was excited to get in the end zone. He's one of the toughest people, I love him like a brother. To be able to throw him a touchdown like that is really special to him and I. We'll be 50 years old one day talking about that."

RAIDERS DE KHALIL MACK

Q: Did you know Derek was going to come up and put his hand on you during the anthem?

Mack: "Yeah, it was something that was talked about. It's kind of just showing a little unity, using our platform to show unity."

Q: About?

Mack: "Different races can get along, you know what I am saying? White, black, whatever you are. Everyone can get along and be friends and do all those different things. It just shows unity and togetherness."

Q: How much are players discussing this throughout the league?

Mack: "It's discussed a lot. It's one of the things I feel passionately about but I just don't like the tension that comes with it. But at the same time, just using our platform for positivity is what's important to me."

Q: "Where are you guys at right now defensively?"

Mack: Take it one game at time, take it one snap at a time. We will see September 11th.

RAMS HEAD COACH SEAN McVAY

Q: Were you pleased with the offense?

Coach McVay: "Yeah, it seemed like we were able to get into a pretty good rhythm. I thought Jared Goff did a good job making good decisions. Got a lot of people involved. I thought Todd Gurley ran the football efficiently, where he's almost at five yards a carry and being able to do that and be efficient on further downs is going to be conducive for offensive success. I thought Cooper Kupp made a handful of third down conversions that ended up being big time for us, but overall very pleased with the offensive effort. We know that there's going to be some things that we can go back and clean up, but I think for the most part, especially for Jared I thought it was good to get him a lot more experience. I want say he played about 37 snaps and that experience for him is invaluable and I thought he did an excellent job today."

Q: What were your thoughts on the offensive line besides the play with Khalil Mack?



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Coach McVay: “That’s what it felt like and I thought Jared did a good job making good decisions, getting the ball out of his hands with the exception of, like you mentioned, getting on the play action pass where that’s an elite player. He’s reigning Defensive Player of the Year and he made a great play. You always want to try and avoid those especially when you’re in a second-and-unmanageable. I thought, collectively, that’s where we talk about with the sacks and things it takes all eleven and I thought offensive line did a great job. QB Jared Goff did a good job getting the ball out of his hands and the receivers and tight ends separated with the timing and rhythm of the play. We were pleased with that and like I mentioned until you really go back and look at everything, it’s hard to say, but just the feeling that we got, there was some good things to take away.”

Q: Are you feeling good about Jared Goff’s progress?

Coach McVay: “Yeah I think when you look at practice it’s a very important evaluation tool. I thought that having eight snaps in week one and then coming in tonight and having 37. We always talk about having that daily improvement and he definitely got better this week. Clearly, he had more opportunities to do that, but I thought he did an excellent job getting out of the huddle, managing it. It was a good atmosphere tonight. We were able to use our silent count. There were some different elements that I was very pleased with like the way that he lead the offense, and we were able to come away with some points and that’s always the goal.”

Q: Were you worried about how many interceptions Goff might have?

Coach McVay: “My experience up to this point with Goff is that he’s showing me that he’s nothing but a mentally tough guy, he has great resilience and the ability to respond when things don’t work out. I think he’s able to take it for what it is and learn from it and try to those moving forward. I think it’s also a hard job as coaches to make sure to try and put them in situations that are conducive for making good decisions consistently. Like we mentioned, being able to run the football, like the way we were able to, keeps you in a situation where you can maintain balance and that’s always what you want to be able to do offensively. Credit to the offense as a whole tonight.”

Q: Is Kupp working his way onto your radar?

Coach McVay: “Yeah, you see he’s very reliable, understands the game, and like I’ve mentioned before, he’s one of those guys that came in one of the more polished mature rookies that I’ve ever been around, in terms of his above the neck, understanding of the game. Then you watch the way that he’s able to contribute to some of those crunch time plays, he just does all the little things the right way. I’ve very pleased with him and I think really as a whole, our rookie class has done a great job. You look at TE Gerald Everett, he’s continuing to get better. He made some plays tonight. I thought that was a huge play that he made on the twenty-three yard check down where we say the play action, trying to get a little bit down the field. QB Jared Goff took what the defense gave him and Gerald was able to create after the catch. There was a lot of examples of some younger players that are going to be players that we’re leaning on and counting on to be big time contributors for us this year. It’s been a good sign so far.”

Q: Are you concerned about putting players in during preseason?

Coach McVay: “You know I think you always want to be really careful putting some of your better players or some guys you’re really counting on in harm’s way, but it is the NFL and I think this is the preseason and it’s a great opportunity for us to knock some of the rust off, get some carries. I think the way that HB Todd Gurley II is taking care of himself, certainly you want to try and avoid things, the shape he’s in: he’s able to sustain and maintain. That’s something we’ll discuss moving forward, but I think him getting that work and being out there with his teammates is beneficial because by the time that Indianapolis game rolls around we want to at least have some continuity. Especially with some of the newer things we’re asking our guys to do. Todd’s presence in that huddle is very important to us.”

Q: Were you able to work WR Sammy Watkins in the way you wanted?



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Coach McVay: "We were, I think he did a good job being able to adjust. Certainly we would have liked have given him some opportunities down the field a little bit more, but it becomes one of those deals where you take what the defense gives you and there's where I thought QB Jared Goff did a nice job making some good decisions and that's my job as an offensive coaching staff to try and put our players in good spots to get some of those plays that you'd like to see happen. Credit to the defense for the Raiders, they made a great play on the one where we tried to take a play action to Sammy. We might have had them or we might not have, but they made the play and we didn't and that's something that we'll move on and learn from."

Q: Were you happy with the red zone pass?

Coach McVay: "I was talking about the play action where we got sacked when we were trying to take something to WR Sammy Watkins, but it looked like it was, you know, the vantage point I had it was kind of a bang-bang no contested type play. It looked like it was a good location. You couldn't really see where the DB was, but it was a good play by their defense."

Q: Does WR Sammy Watkins presence out on the field make defenses look at him?

Coach McVay: "I think it certainly could be. You'd have to talk to the defensive coaches, but what I do think is that when you look at what Sammy has been able to do over the course of his career--he's a guy that we want to get involved. It's not exclusive to them on the field, it's underneath, intermediate. We want to be multiple in terms of the way we're utilizing our personnel. Having a player with his ability to create down the field certainly makes defensive coaches mindful of what he has done in the past."

Q: Could some of the players have played if it was a regular season game?

Coach McVay: "Yeah they could have. I think it's one of those deals where you want to be mindful of not putting players in harm's way. Fortunately for Lamarcus Joyner, he could've come back if he wanted to. He checked off and he was in good shape. Some of those other players that we're just being careful with based on some different circumstances and situations is part of that and that's something we'll talk about how we approach this Chargers game as well."

Q: How was CB Trumaine Johnson's performance tonight?

Coach McVay: "It was huge. Trumaine has done a great job this whole training camp. Day in and day out he's consistently brought it. We always talk about it with our players--practice preparation equals game reality. I think that was a great example of it right there, where he's got his hands on the ball the whole week. He made a handful of picks and came out when he got his opportunity he did a great job."

RAMS QB JARED GOFF

Q: How did it go out there?

Goff: "Good. I felt good. I think we started the way we wanted to start. I think we were aggressive offensively. We were able to score on those first two drives. That's exactly what we wanted to do there."

Q: Do you realize early when the offense is clicking?

Goff: "I don't know. I think we have to get a few plays in to get us into a rhythm. Once we did, once we moved the ball, you get a couple of first downs, you start getting that feel and get into a little rhythm. I think we could definitely feel it, certainly toward the end of that drive. We felt like we had some good tempo going and we were able to move the ball on almost every down."



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Q: Talk about the play with Cooper Kupp.

Goff: "It was planned like that. We had ran it in practice and had a very similar result. Cooper [Kupp] kind of running free there. Came out and saw him [inaudible] and put it up."

Q: You seemed excited after that first drive.

Goff: "Yeah, I was excited. Yeah. Trying to get a little juice going. It was exciting. First drive, we get a touchdown and we're able to keep going."

Q: Can you talk about the relationship you've developed with Kupp?

Goff: "Yeah, he's a great player. He makes it easy for me the way he runs his routes. How friendly of a target he is. He made a couple of really, really good catches, contested catches today that were big time for us and moved the chains. Expect similar results from him in the future."

Q: Did you see Khalil Mack when he sacked you?

Goff: "I didn't really see him. He kind of snuck up on me a bit, but he's defensive player of the year for a reason. Big dude."

Q: Are you starting to settle into the offense?

Goff: "Yeah, you always try to have an open guy on all plays, but some plays there aren't and you have to extend and make a play. But yeah, for the most part we have a lot of open guys. Tonight we were able to move the ball pretty good."

Q: Can you talk about playing in the pocket?

Goff: "I don't know if I was doing it consciously or just playing, but I thought the O-line did a great job of creating that pocket. Especially with guys like Bruce Irvin and Khalil Mack on the edge there. Running them up behind and giving me a pocket to sit in was really, really good tonight."

Q: How did it feel playing this close to home?

Goff: "Yeah, it was fun. This is my second game here. I played here in high school, so I'm somewhat familiar with it. I had some friends and family here. It was fun."

Q: How big is it when the offense stays on schedule?

Goff: "Huge for any offense, especially us when we're able to stay in front of the sticks and stay in third-and-manageable. It's a game changer. You don't like to be third-and-12. You don't want to be even second-and-12. You want to stay ahead of the sticks and I think we did a good job with that tonight. Ultimately, that will help us move the ball and score points."

Q: What was Todd Gurley like in the huddle?

Goff: "Yeah, Todd did a good job. Good job in protection. Good job running the flats. Good job of running the ball. Good player. He did well tonight. He did a good job waiting. Kept the huddle together. He did a good job."

Q: How does his plays make it easier for you?

Goff: "Oh no doubt. Anytime you can run the ball, it opens up so much on your offense. It's no different with us. How a guy, as special as he is, both running the ball and out of the back field catching the ball. It can open up everything. Again, I thought he did a good job."

Q: How was it having Sammy Watkins?

Goff: "Good. Man, he's good. He can make plays. He's only been here for a week, so we're still getting our rhythm together. But I thought he had a couple good plays today and a couple we'd probably like back, but for the most



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part...Really good communicator off the field. When we get off the field he talks about what he saw and we're able to fix some things with that as well."

Q: Did you think you had that one in the corner?

Goff: "Yeah, I'd like to see it on film. I think the corner made a pretty good play on it from what I was told. I told him, 'I'm not going to stop throwing to you.' I'm still going to keep coming. He knows that."

RAMS WR SAMMY WATKINS

Q: How did it feel to be out there with the team on offense? It seems like you got some support tonight.

Watkins: "Yeah, definitely support. Catch my wind and just lead the team, be in the huddle. Just get the plays, get comfortable."

Q: As far as the playbook, how far into do you think you are?

Watkins: "I'm catching onto it pretty quick. I got to get into a situation where I am not thinking. I am still thinking about the play and what I need to do. Once I get over that hump, I can go out there and play fast and make plays."

Q: Is the system coming easy to you? Is it intuitive?

Watkins: "It is just repetition of it. Just learning the concepts in the offense. I think once you master the offense, the splits and concepts, I'll be fine."

Q: Are your teammates being helpful?

Watkins: "Oh yeah. I mean everybody is helping me out. Even if I come out of the huddle, and I still don't know the play yet, Jared [Goff] will still help me with the play. Guys are still helping me with my alignment and stuff like that. Cooper Kupp does a great job helping me with that."

Q: How is your rhythm with Jared Goff?

Watkins: "That is going to come along. Like I said, we are not going to be perfect the first week or second week. This is what the preseason is for, so just working to get better. I think once we keep repping each other with the first team, I'll start to get adjusted with the guys."

Q: This all happened pretty fast. You were traded less than a week ago. Has it sunk in that you are here and this is your new team?

Watkins: "Everything is coming now and like I said, learning the guys, learning what the coaches want me to do, and just learning the plays. Being comfortable around the guys, that definitely helps."

Rams RB Todd Gurley

Q: From our view it looks like in the play action you're getting open, holes are getting created, do you feel that way?

Gurley: "I mean if they respect the run game, we just hit them with the play action so you got to be able to play both. So just being able to find that balance in our offense. It was pretty good today."

Q: This preseason's been a little different than how you were used last preseason. Do you think that's kind of helped get you going?

Gurley: "I don't know. I'm just doing whatever the coaches tell me. You know, if they want me to play, they want me to play, if not then so be it."



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Q: Did you see Goff getting in a rhythm pretty early on there in first drive?

Gurley: "Yeah he had some good throws. He did pretty good in the series he was in so you know he's just getting better and improving."

Q: How have you seen him come along from last year to now?

Gurley: "It's been pretty good. Obviously the preseason is a lot different than the regular season so we're just trying to build off this honestly man and just try to get better and focus on the positive things and look at the negative things and try to get both of them fixed."

Q: Can you take us through the big scrum, you kept your legs moving and got four or five extra yards. What was going on there?

Gurley: "I'm just trying to hold on to the ball and let everybody else do the pushing and keep my legs running."

Q: The guys, I don't want to say behind you but the guys that come in, Malcolm, JD and those guys, what kind of roles are they playing or can they play?

Gurley: "Everybody's been doing a great job whether I'm in there or not. The next man has to step up. That's just how football goes and they've been doing a great job and those two guys did a great job from bouncing back from last week you know, they had the fumbles and obviously we don't want that but great runners you know, Malcolm, he's a tough runner, JD, he's a slasher so and then you got AG and some other young guys that didn't get a chance to go today so everybody's been doing good, working hard, trying to get better."

Rams WR Cooper Kupp

Q: How do you think it went out there for you tonight, especially that first touchdown?

Kupp: "It was good. It was a great play call. I didn't really have to do much. I just ran to the spot. Everyone else did their job so well that it left me wide open. It was a lot of fun. I am excited to go back and watch the film and learn from it."

Q: It seems like you are getting more comfortable out there where you know when the hit is coming and holding onto the football. Do you feel that way?

Kupp: "Yeah. I think a few times I was expecting someone to be there when there wasn't. It's just one of those things where you continue to get comfortable. Catch the ball and get a feel for who is around you without really having to look to see who is around you. Just continue to play faster play in and play out. I think that will just continue to happen the more reps, the farther we get going through this."

Q: Are you sensing how many weapons you guys have and how much you can spread the ball around?

Kupp: "I am really excited to be on the field with some really good football players. Impressive. Impressive throws. There's guys across the board that can make plays. It's a blessing just to be in that room. Not so close on that one"

Q: With the addition of Sammy Watkins in the offense, can you feel already how it might be opening things up for other guys?

Kupp: "Yeah. Well, he is doing a great job. It has been really fun to talk with him and learn from him. Just see how he plays the game. Doing everything I can to soak up as much information and as much knowledge as I can from these guys. It is really just a ton of fun playing with the guys we have out there."

Rams CB: Trumaine Johnson



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Postgame Quotes



Q: Is there just something that you're seeing or something that's kind of changed or are you just trying to get back into the groove of things?

Johnson: "You know, great practices, it usually carries on to the game and just come out there and perfect my craft, my technique, and hopefully carry it over to the game."

Q: Are you surprised he threw the ball your way?

Johnson: "Yes, like I said, I felt like Crabtree stopped his route, I turned around and I didn't see him, I didn't feel him behind, and the ball was there. It was a great play."

Q: Did you say anything after the play?

Johnson: "Nothing at all. Just did my normal, gave the ball to one of my family members."

Q: The defense as a whole, how do you think it's coming along?

Johnson: "We're not there where we want to be. Looking good for the most part but you got to test the tip attempt and go out there and showcase everything."

Q: Is it kind of difficult to tell where you guys at when there's a few guys out?

Johnson: "It's a lot of guys stepping up and taking advantage of the opportunity right now and that's where I come in as a leader. I'm proud of that."

Q: Do you think Derek Carr will ever throw to you again? When you play him again?

Johnson: "Of course man. Hopefully he does. I had to put on. Stockton is 30-40 minutes from here. I had to put on for the home team."

Q: How many people did you have out here?

Johnson: "Close to 60. 60-70."