

POST GAME QUOTES
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LAFC vs. Portland Timbers



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RE: Opening Statement

“Good win. It’s good to see you guys again. I love you guys”

RE: Coming in to the opening game and season mindset

“For me, my mindset was to do good, to perform well to help the team to win. And it's about how hard work you know, so when you work hard and all that good things will come to you so I always do my possible best to fit in his team to start to get into stat tonight and by the grace of God, that happened so it was an amazing feeling. And my mindset was really tough.”

RE: Pregame ceremony

“The feeling was really great. Having my first trophy as a professional player. I want to get more. The ring is so beautiful and so shiny. So, when you see it you say to yourself like if I do well do more I'll get more so it's really like the anger that you want to get more.”

RE: The goals he was in involved in and penalty

“In the end, the referee has the final say you know. So, if the referee says yes or no, we go with it, you can change his decision. Was I looking for it? Of course, you know, when you are in the box, you need to like find a way to help the team and to get something from it.”

RE: New season feeling and team chemistry

“Well, feeling amazing, fantastic, great. I can’t describe it you know. I'm feeling great to be back on the field with Carlos [Vela], Deni [Bounaga] and everyone. It feels great. And the way they helped me to grow as a player, as a person is really amazing. They give me advice, even playing the game in the game. They give me all the ideas or the help that I need to grow.

RE: Champions League

“Well, for me, I have an amazing memory. That was the first time I scored my first goal for the club. And it was really amazing. And for me, my goal is to get out a trophy that we can. We got to work harder towards it and to take one game at a time.”