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### Head Coach Jay Gruden

**On what he saw from the quarterbacks in the third preseason game:**

"Both of them did some good things again, some things we need to clean up. But, I think as it stands right now, we'll start with Case [Keenum] at the opener and Dwayne [Haskins] will get himself ready to play and we'll go from there. Anytime you come in as one or two or three quarterback, you've got to get yourself ready to play at all times."

**On which quarterbacks will see action in the final preseason game:**

"We're going to talk about that as a staff as far as substitutions, but Dwayne [Haskins] has to be up and ready to roll. Jalan [McClendon] will be up as well. Probably those two will get some work."

**On what Keenum showed him to prove that he is ready to be the starter:**

"They both showed a lot. Case [Keenum] has come in here and picked up the offense extremely well, had great confidence and command over the team – they both have. At the end of the day, I think we have great confidence that Case can lead us to a win against Philadelphia."

**On if there is an update on TE Jordan Reed:**

"No, no update."

**On if Reed is in the concussion protocol:**

"He's in protocol so he's getting checked for that. Until he gets cleared by the independent doctor and he feels better then he will be in that until he gets cleared and then he'll come back to practice."

**On if there is worry about Reed's long-term health considering his history with head injuries:**

"I can't say one way or the other. Right now, it's just about getting him well. That's all we care about right now. He's got to go through the necessary steps to do that. Once he's well, I don't have any concern that this will linger because he'll be well."

**On if there is an update on CB Fabian Moreau:**

"He's going to have to an appointment Tuesday, I believe, get checked out again."

**On if Moreau's injury is a high ankle sprain or a low ankle sprain:**

"It's an ankle"

**On if Moreau will play Week 1:**

"We're going to wait and see Tuesday. We'll have a better idea Tuesday."

**On what Haskins needs to do going forward in the next couple weeks:**

"He has to continue to prepare like he is the starter because he's one play away from going into the game against Philadelphia. He's got to continue to prepare and get better, which I know he will do. That's every quarterback, that's every position on the field, whether you're a starter or not you have to prepare like you're a starter. When your number is called you've got to be ready to go."

**On what Haskins has to do to improve:**

“He’s a young player, obviously. Just learning the system for the first time. Case [Keenum] has been in some pro systems before. Played in games, 44 games I believe as a starter. He’s been to the playoffs. Experience factor is something that you really lean upon and then of course Case has been productive in practice and some of the games. As far as Dwayne is concerned, you just have got to continue to work and get these reps –mental reps, physical reps and just continue to build on his performance day after day.”

**On if finally naming a starting quarterback will help the offensive line:**

“Both quarterbacks [are] fine. We’re doing a better job on the left side of the line. We’ll continue to do better. Donald Penn had a decent game. [Ereck] Flowers had some rough patches in there, but he’ll get better. It’s his first time playing guard. Some other guys got to come in there and fill in at times as well. From a continuity standpoint, the team will rally behind whoever is back there. The defense is playing at a high level. They will continue to do that no matter who the quarterback is. They just play defense. Offensive line is going to block for whoever is back there. Running backs are going to run and receivers are going to catch. We feel good about where we’re at with Case [Keenum] and we feel great about the development prospects of Mr. Haskins.”

**On if the quarterback competition will continue into the regular season even though he named a starter for Week 1:**

“You’ve got to produce, without a doubt. We anticipate Case [Keenum] producing. He produces, he’s got nothing to worry about. Moving forward we intend on Case being the guy.”

**On if there is an update on QB Colt McCoy:**

“He’s doing better. He’s just working with the trainers and the strength staff.”

**On how long McCoy will held out of practice:**

“I don’t know. I don’t know how long that will be.”

**On his reaction to Indianapolis Colts QB Andrew Luck retiring:**

“I really didn’t make anything of it. He’s not on my team. Andrew is a great player. He has reasons for doing what he did, but I don’t know what they are. I didn’t really read about it. I think you always have to have depth at every position and quarterback is no different. We feel good about the depth we have at our position right now.”

**On if there are injury updates for LB Jordan Brailford or CBs Adonis Alexander and Domonique Rodgers-Cromartie:**

“They’re O.K. Brailford is still a couple weeks away, probably. Adonis [Alexander] practiced today.”

**On who would start in the slot cornerback position if Moreau is not available:**

“We have [Greg] Stroman who has played in the slot and Jimmy Moreland. He’s been outstanding in the slot so we’re O.K.”

**On the shock of Luck’s retirement:**

“Yeah for sure. You don’t anticipate that, especially the timing of it. Nobody knows Andrew’s body like he does and some of those injuries can take it’s toll, mentally and physically. I can’t speak for Andrew [Luck] but I know that I appreciated watching him play for the years he played. He’s been a great quarterback, great competitor and I know that he wouldn’t give up football unless there was a great reason for it.

**On how many times he has played Luck:**

“I don’t remember directly. I know we played them last year and they beat us. I don’t remember.”