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Soundbytes from Asst. Coach Sean Hughes & M Dániel Gazdag

Revolution Assistant Coach Sean Hughes

On takeaways from Sunday's 2-1 defeat to Inter Miami CF and how the team will move forward:
Hughes: "There were some big positives from the game. Obviously, two very good teams. We felt we had the game where we really wanted it. There were a couple of moments where we probably could've capitalized and gotten that second goal to give us some breathing space. And then, obviously, the game changes [when Inter Miami CF scores]. Small margins win those big games. [Lionel] Messi showed why he's been so good for so long. Nothing can change the game [now]. There were a lot of positives from it. We're disappointed to lose, but we'll pick ourselves up and go again."

On looking forward to this weekend's Decision Day match at Orlando City SC:
Hughes: "It's an exciting game. I think both teams are still fighting for positions. It's a game where we always go to win and I'm sure [Orlando] will go in with that same mentality. They're a good team, very strong in possession as well. We're excited and we're looking forward to another good test."

On if Saturday's match has added importance as an opportunity for the team to build momentum before the postseason:
Hughes: "I don't know if we look at it from that standpoint. We just take every game as an important game. We want to compete, we want to win every match we play, so we'll go with that same mentality, to go down there and try to get three points."

On how the team has improved from the beginning of the season through now:
Hughes: "I think there's a lot of things, right? Throughout the season, we were talking about it this morning, you reflect from the first game to now. We know Miami is a really strong team that wanted to dominate the game with possession. Possession isn't everything for us, but we were able to take the ball away from them for large amounts of the game. I think as a team, collectively, we're in a really good moment. We're getting some [injured players] back as well. I think we're really excited. We're really happy with the direction of the team and where we're going."

Revolution Midfielder Dániel Gazdag

On settling into the team's style of play with goal-scoring performances in consecutive games:
Gazdag: "I really like to play with the guys. I was lucky to get in front of the goal in the last two games, and I scored two goals. I'm really happy with that. It gives me confidence, obviously. The results were different. We won one game [against Red Bull New York], we lost one game [against Inter Miami CF], so we're not happy about that, but we keep going."

On the level of confidence within the team ahead of this weekend's regular season finale and the MLS Cup Playoffs:

Gazdag: “We are confident. I think we had a really good season as a team. We played some really good games, high-quality games, and we are confident about the playoffs.”

On what New England expects from Orlando City SC in Saturday’s match:
Gazdag: “We played them a few weeks ago [on Sept. 19], but it's going to be a different game now. We have to go there and play. Obviously, we'd like to get the three points and then try to get that second spot in the [Eastern Conference] table. Orlando is a good team, they're still fighting for their playoff [seed] as well. So, it's going to be a hard game.”

On the opportunity to close the regular season on a positive note:
Gazdag: “Right before the playoffs, the last game of the regular season, it's always important to give that boost to the team to go into the playoffs, and that's how we’ll go into this game.”