



2017 SEC Football Media Days Alabama Player Quotes Wednesday, July 12, 2017

Junior Defensive Back Minkah Fitzpatrick

On last season's game against LSU and what it's like to play them...

"LSU is definitely one of the most fun games I've played in because every single play matters."

On what sets the Florida State game apart from others he has played in...

"[Florida State is] probably one of the best teams and one of the best legacies in college football. We don't get to see them a lot, so when we play each other, it's going to be a great game. I think it will be a lot of fun to play."

On how players are stepping up to leadership roles following the NFL draft...

"Last year I had a leadership role, but I wasn't *the* leader of the defense. This year I feel like I have to be more vocal and step into that role."

On how the team is able to stay on top regardless of losing players to the NFL draft...

"We just had the number one recruiting class, so we always have talent. It's a great school with a great program and a lot of history."

On how the National Championship loss motivated the team and Coach Saban...

"You always learn from a loss, and if you don't, then that's on you. We're definitely using the motivation, and we're not letting small things slide. That's the reason we lost last year because we let little things slide towards the end of the season and the championship game. We lost because of small details."