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[5] San Diego State Postgame Notes vs [2] Utah State

Mountain West Championship Game – March 16, 2019 – Las Vegas, Nevada

Final Score: [2] Utah State 64, [4] San Diego State 57,

Records: San Diego State (21-13; 12-6 Mountain West); Utah State (28-6; 11-7 Mountain West)

Big Notes

- Devin Watson (19.0 ppg) and Jalen McDaniels (16.3 ppg & 9.8 rpg) were named to the Mountain West all-tournament team.
- SDSU has two straight seasons with 21 or more wins (both of Brian Dutcher's two seasons as head coach) and 10 times in the last 11 seasons.

General Notes

- Brian Dutcher is now 16-5 in his two seasons in games played after Feb. 12.
- The Aztecs are 53-21 in their last 74 games played during the month of March.
- SDSU won 11 of its last 17 games (12-5).

Tournament Notes

- San Diego State falls to 32-15 in Mountain West tournament history. That is the best record in the history of the event.
- The Aztecs played in the championship game for the ninth time in 11 years.
- The Aztecs are now 5-6 in MW title games.
- The Aztecs fall to 9-4 as the number four seed.
- This is the ninth time in 20 years that the No. 2 seed has won the Mountain West Tournament

Game Notes

- The Aztecs shot 27 percent from the field and 17.6 percent from three in the second half.
- The Aggies began the second half on a 13-0 run.
- An 8-0 Aztec run trimmed the SDSU deficit to 57-52 with 2:41 remaining in the game.
- Jalen McDaniels fouled out with 5:57 remaining.

Utah State Related Notes / Series Update

- San Diego State has won 11 of the 14 meetings with the Aggies.
- The Aztecs are now 2-1 all-time against the Aggies in the Mountain West Tournament.

Player Notes

Devin Watson (18 points, 5-14 FG, 3-4 FT, 5-12 3-pt FG, 3 rebounds, 3 assists)

Named to the MW all-tournament team after averaging 19.0 points per game... Scored 12 or more points in 17 of the last 18 games... Recorded his sixth straight double-digit scoring game, the 30th of the season and the 95th of his career... Led SDSU in scoring for the 15th time this season and for the 24th time of his career... Hit four three-pointers or more for the fourth time in the last six games and for the ninth time this season... Broke his own school record for three-point attempts (12) in a MW Tournament game (11 vs. UNLV, 3-14-19)... Final single season ranks in SDSU D-I history: 3-point FGs (4th, 89), 3-point FG attempts (3rd, 233), points (12th, 543) and assists (12th, 142).

Jalen McDaniels (8 points, 4-12 FG, 5 rebounds, 2 blocks)

Named to the MW all-tournament team after averaging 16.3 points per and 9.7 rebounds per game... Passed Kawhi Leonard (2010-11) into seventh place for most made field goals by an Aztec in a single-season (212)... Finishes the season with 541 points, the 12th most for an Aztec in the D-I era... Hauled in 281 rebounds on the year, 13th most for an Aztec in the D-I era... Fouled out for the second straight game.

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