

2017 NCAA® DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

First-Round · New Mexico State vs. Stanford Bramlage Coliseum · Manhattan, Kan. - Saturday, March 18, 2017

POSTGAME NOTES

New Mexico State Notes:

- Despite leading for the majority of the contest, New Mexico State lost its first meeting with Stanford and fell to 0-5 all-time in NCAA Tournament games.
- New Mexico State led 38-31 at the half after a buzzer-beating three-pointer by junior guard Zaire Williams off a missed free throw was confirmed by official review. The Aggies led by as many as nine points (21-12) in the first quarter and trailed just once in the second quarter.
- The Aggies suffered their first defeat when leading at the half this season, having won the previous 22 times leading at the break.
- Senior guard **Moriah Mack** reached double figures for the 19th consecutive game with 15 points against Stanford. In all, Mack has reached double digits in 27 of 31 games this season. She added seven rebounds to lead the Aggies.
- Sophomore guard Brooke Salas chipped in a career-high-tying 26 points, her 22nd game
 in double figures this season and sixth time scoring more than 20 points.
- Senior forward **Brianna Freeman** added 10 points, the third Aggie in double figures. It was her 12th double-digit scoring effort of the season and sixth in the last nine games.

Stanford Notes:

- Stanford won its first meeting with New Mexico State and improved to 80-28 all-time in the NCAA Tournament play and 47-24 in tournament games away from Maples Pavilion.
- Senior guard **Brianna Roberson's** three with a little less than three minutes left in the second quarter was Stanford's first and only lead of the first half.
- Senior guard Karlie Samuelson's 17 points marked the fourth time she has scored in double figures in an NCAA Tournament game and the third in a row. It was also the 24th

- time she has scored in double figures this season. Samuelson drained 5-of-9 from long range, the sixth game she has had five or more makes from beyond the three-point arc and one shy of a season-best-tying six.
- Sophomore forward Alanna Smith scored 19 points, her 12th game in double figures this season and her first time in an NCAA Tournament game. Smith also grabbed 11 rebounds, just her third double-digit rebounding effort and second double-double of the season. Her 11 boards were the second-most she has nabbed in a game this year. Smith also swatted a career-best six shot attempts, part of a combined season-best 12 block effort by Stanford.
- Junior guard **Brittany McPhee** scored 16 points and added a season-and-career-best five steals.
- After reaching double figures in 25 games to start the season, senior forward **Erica McCall** was limited to single digits (9 pts) for the sixth time in the last nine games, but contributed a game-best 12 rebounds, her 14th double-digit rebounding effort.