**Men’s Basketball Postgame Notes**

**Kentucky at Tennessee, Thompson-Boling Arena, Knoxville, Tenn.**

**Jan. 24, 2017
Attendance: 19,349**

**Tennessee 82, No. 4/4 Kentucky 80**

**Team Records and Series Notes**

        Kentucky is 17-3 overall, 7-1 in the Southeastern Conference. Tennessee is 11-9, 4-4 in the SEC

        Kentucky leads the series 152-69, including 54-50 in Knoxville

o   Kentucky is 12-4 against Tennessee under John Calipari

        UK has lost two in a row, and three of the last four in Knoxville

        Next for Kentucky: the Wildcats welcome No. 2/1 Kansas to Rupp Arena on Saturday with tipoff scheduled for 6:15 p.m. ET on ESPN. College GameDay will be on site, and broadcast from Rupp Arena that morning

**In the First Half**

        Kentucky started the lineup of **Isaiah Briscoe,** **De’Aaron Fox, Malik Monk, Wenyen Gabriel and Bam Adebayo** for the 14th time this season.  UK is 11-3 with this lineup

        Fox extended Kentucky’s streak of made 3-pointers to 995 consecutive games at the 12:12 mark of the opening half

        Kentucky scored 34 first-half points – tying its season low (vs. Michigan State – Nov. 15, 2016)

        UK also shot a first-half season-low 34 percent on 11 of 32 from the field.

        UK faced its largest halftime deficit of the season, and trailed after 20 minutes for the second time this season (vs. UCLA)

**In the Second Half**

        UK’s deficit reached double-digits at 50-40. It was the second largest deficit UK faced this season (largest was 14 vs. UCLA)

o   Tennessee’s largest lead was 11, at the 12:49 mark

        Kentucky closed to the deficit to two points, 68-66, at the 3:24 mark – the under-four media timeout

        Tennessee scored five straight to take a 73-66 lead and force a UK timeout with 2:43 to play

        UK got as close as within three points multiple times down the stretch, but no closer

**Team Notes**

        Kentucky shot 42 percent from the field (25 of 60), its worst output in a SEC game this year

o   UK had shot better than 50 percent in all seven SEC games prior, and 14 times overall

o   It had been the longest streak for the Wildcats since the 1983-84 Wildcats had eight straight games of 50 percent or better

        Tennessee’s 82 points were the third most by a UK opponent this year

o   UK’s 80 points were its third fewest in a game this year

        Tennessee’s 10 3-point field-goal attempts were the fewest by a UK opponent this year

        Tennessee’s 18 assists tied North Carolina and UCLA for the most by a UK opponent this year

        Calipari has a 679-190 (.781) on-court record, including a 234-50 (.824) mark at UK

**Player Notes**

        Freshman **Malik Monk** paced the Wildcats with 25 points

        This was his 12th 20-point game of the season

        He continued his streak of double-figure scoring in every game this season

        He made 8 of 10 free throws – both numbers were career highs

        Freshman **Bam Adebayo** notched 21 points, 15 of them in the second half

        He scored in double figures for the 17th time in 20 games

        Adebayo has made 21 of 25 field goal attempts over the last five games

        He scored more than 20 points for the second time this season

        Freshman **De’Aaron Fox** scored 17 points and had four assists

        He made a career-high two 3-pointers

        He tallied his first block since Dec. 7, 2016 vs. Valpo

        Sophomore **Isaiah Briscoe** grabbed a career-high 14 rebounds

        He scored 11 points, and had five assists

        Freshman **Wenyen Gabriel** grabbed nine rebounds

        Senior **Derek Willis** grabbed seven rebounds

        Senior **Mychal Mulder** missed a second-straight game because of illness