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DENVER BRONCOS 2018 NFL DRAFT CONFERENCE CALL QUOTES **LINEBACKER JOSEY JEWELL (4/28/18)**

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LINEBACKER JOSEY JEWELL (Rd. 4, No. 106, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA)

On making up for speed

“A lot of that is instincts. A lot of film watching for me. Being able to get in there with my teammates and watch extra film. I watch extra film with assistant coaches being there with us. We are in there trying to understand offenses as much as we can, understand what formations that they run certain plays to pass out of and certain three-step drops and stuff like that. There is a lot of film stuff going in to it. It really helped me because I did not run the fastest time ever – not even close. I had to be able to make up from somewhere else. “

On when he realized reaching the NFL was a realistic possibility for him

“It was always a dream as soon as I started playing football. A realistic opportunity I would have to say was the end of my sophomore year of college after I played a little bit. I started there. In 2015, we had a good season. I thought, ‘I am playing really good and we had a good team,’ so I thought I could hopefully be able to make the NFL one day if I got lucky.”

On his pre-draft visit with Denver

“It was a great day. I came in a little nervous not knowing what was going to happen. Talking to the coaches, that was my best visit I had. Talking to the coaches, I really liked them. I talked to [Linebackers] Coach [Reggie] Herring. I talked to [President of Football Operations/General Manager] John Elway a bit and the defensive coordinator (Joe Woods). It was a great atmosphere there. I loved that family atmosphere. It just felt like they wanted to get to work. It felt like how it was for me in that aspect. I am really blessed to have an opportunity to go there.”

On demonstrating his leadership as a multiple-time captain at Iowa

“At Iowa, I demonstrated by doing my role to the best of my ability and trying to give those young guys someone to look up to and how to do the business – how to go about it. There are a bunch of leaders there right now. I just hope to be able to fit in with those guys. Hopefully, as my role progresses, I will be able to start leading. Whenever the coaches want me to start leading and start playing, I will be happy to do anything for them.”