Ron Holland - vs OKC Blue 1/5/2024

Ron Holland had one of his better playmaking outings in this game, despite questions remaining about the reliability of his scoring ability.

Holland's playmaking primarily came out of sets where he was the secondary ball handler of his team and leveraged his ability to drive to kick out the ball to his teammates. Even on shots where his teammates were not able to make the looks Holland set up for them, it was clear he was making a conscious effort to do so. His shotmaking was lackluster as he confidently takes tough contested jumpers and lay ups but struggles to consistently convert on those opportunities. He has a nice handle and is able to create space using it, but he needs a lot of work in picking his spots better on the court. This game was a step in the right direction in this regard given his willingness to actively find teammates.

Holland displayed the ability to be a disruptive defensive playmaker while showing limitations in his defensive discipline. He was not able to keep up with more veteran players driving against him as Holland was too aggressive in reaching in when he did not need to. The opposing team leveraged this as it led to him almost fouling out of the game. An example of Holland's potential to be a disruptive defender was at 4:34 of the 4th quarter where he was able to pick off a passing lane while defending in transition, he later leveraged a strong fast break drive to dump the ball off to a cutting teammate for an assist.

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