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PLAYER INFO										
#	Pro Position(s)	Prospect (Last, First)		DOB (Age)		Scout Name (Last, First)				
50	LB	Te'o, Manti		1-26-91 (25)		Jeffers, Jesse				
COLLEGE			YEAR - RD - TM			TEAM				
Notre Dame (INND)			13-2nd-SD			San Diego Chargers				
CAREER INFORMATION										
Games Played	Games Started	Games Won		Winning %		Positions Started		Captain		
35	31	18		51%		ILB		No		
INJURIES	2015: Rt Ankle Sprain (Wks 6-9) 2014: Sprained Lt Ft (Pre Weeks 3-4); Fractured Rt Ft (Wks 4-9) 2013: Fractured Rt Ft (Wks 1-3; resulted in offseason surgery)									
KEY STATS	2015: Led SD with 83 combined tackles; finished t-49th in NFL with 63 solo tackles despite missing 4 games Career: 40th in solo tackles among all NFL LB between 2013-15, despite only playing in 35 of a possible 48 games									
MEASURABLES										
Height	Weight	40 YD	10 YD	Arm	Hand	Vert	3 Cone	SS	Broad	Bench
6012	241	4.82	1.67	32 1/2	9 1/2	33	7.13	4.27	113"	21
Tapes Viewed	2015: at CIN 9/20, vs PIT 10/12, vs DEN 12/6, at KC 12/13, vs OAK 12/24									
BEST	Key & Diagnose; Zone Coverage; Effort/Pursuit									
WORST	Defeating Cut/Cut-off Blocks; Pass Rush; Ball Skills									
PROJECTION	A starting, 3-down LB who can play as an ILB in an Odd front and at all 3 LB spots in an Even front (including Sam in Under), effective vs Zone/Power run schemes, and contribute in Man/Zone coverage. Will struggle if asked to play over the bubble repeatedly, and lacks moves and a clear plan as a pass rusher.									
SCHEME FIT	Best fit in any scheme that will stack him behind a DT on a majority of plays to limit his reps over the bubble, and will leverage his coverage ability in the passing game.									
SUMMARY										
<p>2013 2nd-round pick at LB who has started in 31 of his 35 career games, including starts in all 12 games played in 2015. Has played all three seasons for San Diego under DC John Pagano in an Odd/Under front, with 2015 being his 1st year under new LB coach Mike Nolan. Typically aligns as the weakside ILB in the base defense, and stays on the field at LB in Sub packages. Finished the game Week 5 on an ankle injury that subsequently forced him to sit out Weeks 6-9. Has solid height and weight, with good build and solid thickness in lower body. Displays solid overall athletic ability, quickness, agility and acceleration, with good balance, along with adequate COD and explosiveness. Demonstrates good pre-snap awareness of offensive formations and shifts, and actively communicates changes to the rest of the defense. Shows good ability to key the ball at the snap, with very good ability to keep his eyes in the backfield to read the mesh point, and good ability to diagnose the play type/direction and react quickly with solid acceleration and foot speed. Displays solid ability vs the run at POA, taking on OL/FB/TE with solid pad level and good gap leverage, and using good hand placement, good upper body strength and solid core strength to stack & shed. Exhibits solid ability vs Outside Run, with good ability to set the edge and force the ball back inside, good ability to track Pull and Trap blocks and solid ability to maintain gap integrity, work laterally through traffic, and to tackle in space. Demonstrates solid timing/speed when executing blitz, and good awareness to attack the ball while in the QB's hand. Showcases good ability in Zone Coverage, looking comfortable in pedal while gaining depth with good ability to read QB, good awareness of route combinations and receiver location, good leverage on routes, good ability to collision RB/TE/WR working through his zone and solid timing while breaking toward target as ball is coming out. Displays solid ability in Man Coverage, with solid ability to Jam TE on release, and solid ability to mirror RB/TE in space. Exhibits solid ability to play with physicality and disrupt completions at the catch point. Shows solid competitive toughness, maintaining solid mental toughness in critical situations and by responding well to play concepts that fooled him earlier in the game, good physical toughness to quickly return to game/play through injuries, and a good level of competitiveness displayed in his consistent effort/pursuit. Plays with an adequate level of aggression vs the Run when lined up over the backside bubble and is slow to press the LOS, allowing OL to meet him on his side of the LOS while giving up easy, hidden yards by not attacking blocks with more ferocity and struggling to clear OL hands from his chest if he is unable to win the initial placement battle. Displays adequate ability vs second-level Cut-off blocks, failing to quickly establish gap leverage or consistently color his gap, instead absorbing OL and playing with an elevated pad level. Adequate lower body strength/ability to sink hips prevents him from recovering to gain a stalemate when OL win the initial leverage battle. Will press the LOS too early in pursuit vs Outside Run from the backside trying to avoid Cut-off blocks or by looking for run-through angles behind Pull blocks, shows adequate ability to protect himself from Cut blocks, and fails to anticipate Pin/Crack blocks. Is a catch tackler at the POA and routinely has an elevated aiming point while attacking ball carriers in space, both of which can lead to him melting off tackles or being driven back/shook off by stronger players. Lacks a pass rush plan or moves to attack/get free from OL. Will sit too heavily when attempting to collision crossing routes and lose leverage, and has trouble staying with sharp cuts/moves during routes by RB/TE with superior COD ability. Shows marginal ability to impact throw trajectory while in passing lane on blitz, and to disrupt the ball downfield with his hands to come up with tips, INT's and forced fumbles. A player you can win with. A starting, three-down LB who can play as an ILB in an Odd front and at all three LB spots in an Even front (including Sam in Under), be effective against both Zone and Power run schemes, and contribute in both Man and Zone coverage. Will struggle if asked to play over the bubble repeatedly, and lacks moves and a clear plan as a pass rusher</p>										