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**COX SAYS
HE'S SORRY
FOR CONDUCT**

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Linebacker Bryan Cox apologized Monday for his behavior during and after Sunday's 19-14 loss to the New York Giants.

"My wife and I sat down and had a heart-to-heart talk and I understand that when I do and say things like I did, I'm an embarrassment to myself, to my team, and my family," Cox said. "What happened Sunday is not indicative of my behavior all the time so I'm sorry for what happened. I'm not apologizing for some of the things I said, but I am sorry I didn't keep my composure."

During the game, Cox challenged a fan who had been taunting him to come onto the field and fight. He argued with NFL security representative Ed Dubois in the tunnel leading to the field after the game. And he criticized the officiating.

Coach Don Shula spoke with Cox on Monday to express his displeasure.

"Bryan is ordinarily a good citizen, a good player, and has been a pleasure to be around," Shula said. "We've never had any problem with him in the locker room or at practices. He works hard and is good for this team. The only problems he's had is in the heated moments when he loses his temper."

"You can't let him cross that line. I've been down that road with him before. I have the sense I have to go down that road again."

But perhaps Monday was the last time.

"I need to keep a cooler head," Cox said. "This is something I'm going to have to take a long, hard look at."

Shula said he would not fine Cox, although a fine from the NFL may be forthcoming.

The Dolphins continue to be upset with the officiating of Sunday's game.

Shula said there were "calls I didn't agree with" following review of game tapes Monday, and the club will express those feelings in its weekly report to the NFL.