

Clifford Omoruyi (Rutgers) 6'11" 240 C (Film 12/20/20 vs. Illinois)

He looks the part physically at 6'11" 240, he has good size for a center. He seems to have good length and a solid build. Physically he looks as if he could be ready for an NBA game right now. The only problem with his physical tools was that he was playing an absolute giant in Kofi Cockburn.

On offense he did not take a single shot attempt. He was mostly used to set screens on offense and then dove to the rim. It seems as if he had good energy on the offensive glass he just ended up running into a wall of Kofi Cockburn often. He did manage to grab an offensive rebound after trailing a play in transition and was sent to the line. His form looks alright but the first free throw was not close while the second one went around the rim and rolled out.

The freshmen center had his hands full in this one with Kofi Cockburn. He was just physically out-manned for a couple buckets early. He allowed Kofi to get too low post position and some easy baskets around the rim. He also jogged back in transition which allowed Kofi to get an easy dunk. I believe this was just a terrible matchup for the freshmen, he just was not ready to guard someone as big and strong as Kofi Cockburn. He also seemed a couple steps slow off the ball whether it was fighting through screens or leaving his man to block a shot. He only played 10 minutes. He was able to block a drop step in the second half. He seems capable of guarding the pick-n-roll and quicker defenders.

I will need to see him play again and would love to see him play against someone who is not an anomaly. It is tough to judge him off of just 10 minutes of game play against Kofi Cockburn. He seems to normally be a good athlete, who can guard pretty well. On offense he doesn't seem to have much skill right now and lacks fluidity but is a rim running big who can catch lobs.