Former Blue Raiders set to play overseas

O'Neil, Haddock sign one-year contracts

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. – A pair of former Blue Raider men's basketball players have signed to play professionally overseas. Calvin O'Neil will join Fjolnir of Iceland and Montarrio Haddock heads to ENAD of Cyprus. Both players have signed on for one season with their respective teams, with the regular season beginning in October. O'Neil heads to Iceland after a one-year stint with the Tennessee Dragons of the Universal Basketball Association (UBA), while Haddock spent last year in Morocco before moving on to Cyprus. O'Neil was a three-year starter under head coach Kermit Davis during his tenure at Middle Tennessee and earned CollegeInsider.com All-America honors as a senior. The 6-4 guard started 77 games and averaged 5.8 points per game for the Blue Raiders. "Playing for Coach Davis really prepared me for this opportunity," O'Neil said. "He taught me about working hard, learning to be dependable, putting up extra shots and getting extra work in by yourself, not just with the team. All of that gave me the opportunity to move to the next level." Haddock transferred to Middle Tennessee from Brunswick Community College and immediately became an impact player during his junior campaign. As a senior, he was the team's top rebounder with 5.7 boards per game and the second-leading scorer at 13.2 points per game. "(Playing at Middle Tennessee) made me tougher," Haddock said. "Playing overseas is tough because the other players really like to compete against Americans." The duo led the Blue Raiders to the Sun Belt regular season title in 2009-10 and received their degrees from the university.

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