

NFL against casino interests owning franchises

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HOUSTON – NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell said Wednesday that no team owner can have any ownership stake in a casino, a proclamation aimed squarely at Las Vegas as the Oakland Raiders pursue relocation to a stadium suddenly in need of new investors.

“That is not something that’s consistent with our policies,” Goodell said during his televised State of the League address and news conference leading to Super Bowl LI. “Not likely a stadium (ownership role), either.”

Last month, Goodell told Fox Sports’ Colin Cowherd: “If we did in any way approve the Raiders’ move, I don’t see us compromising on any of the policies,” the commissioner told Colin Cowherd on his Fox Sports show.

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