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(Col.)-Nuggets introduce Connelly as new GM



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DENVER (AP) — New Denver Nuggets general manager Tim Connelly says re-signing free agent shooting guard Andre Iguodala is his No. 1 priority.

Connelly was formally introduced on Thursday by team president Josh Kroenke.

Connelly tells reporters that "the last guy we talked to before coming in for this press conference was Andre. He's such a pro that he's out there (on the court) working out."

The 36-year-old Connelly comes to the Nuggets from New Orleans, where he served as assistant general manager under Dell Demps. He replaces NBA Executive of the Year Masai Ujiri, who took the GM job with the Toronto Raptors last week.

Finding a replacement for coach George Karl, who was let go on June 6, will be another top priority for Connelly and Kroenke.

The Nuggets interviewed former Memphis Grizzlies coach Lionel Hollins on Wednesday and have also interviewed Indiana Pacers assistant coach Brian Shaw, but have not set a specific deadline for hiring a coach.