

Luka Doncic thought it was April Fools Day upon discovering his shocking trade to the LA Lakers



Basketball superstar Luka Doncic was officially unveiled as the newest member of the Los Angeles Lakers on Tuesday and he revealed that the shocking trade caught him by “surprise” and that he “had to check if it was April 1st”

Doncic said “I mean everybody was surprised so you can imagine how surprised I was. I was almost asleep when I got a call. I had to check it was April 1st. I didn’t really believe it at first.”

The reigning Western Conference Finals Most Valuable Player was shockingly traded from the Dallas Mavericks on Saturday with Laker favourite Anthony Davis being the centre-piece of package that also included rookie Max Christie and a future first round pick.

Maxi Kleber and Markieff Morris were also shipped to LA in a three team deal that also included the Utah Jazz.

Doncic confessed in a farewell letter to Mavs fans that “I thought I’d spend my career here and I wanted so badly to bring you a championship.”

The Slovenian Point Guard led the Mavericks to their first NBA Finals in 13 years last season but was beaten by the eventual Champion Boston Celtics in a lop-sided five game series.

ESPN’s Tim MacMahon reported that the Mavs had concerns with Doncic’s conditioning issues amid the potential offering of the supermax contract extension in which Doncic would have been eligible to sign in the summer.

Had Luka not been traded, he would have eligible to sign a 5 year \$345 million deal which should have been the largest deal in NBA history.

Lakers GM Rob Pelinka described the trading for last season’s NBA Scoring Champion as a “seismic event in NBA history.”

He elaborated on this by stating “the reason I say that is because we have a 25 year old global superstar that’s going to get on the stage with the most popular and influential basketball brand on the globe.”

Doncic is considered a top-5 basketball player in the world and he is the latest superstar to wear the purple and gold after the likes of Shaquille O’Neal, Kobe Bryant and Magic Johnson.

He will also be teaming up with legend LeBron James who Doncic has formerly described as his “idol” growing up as a fan of basketball.