TOTO Japan Classic

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Rio Takeda

Press Conference

THE MODERATOR: All right, we're here with Rio Takeda, winner of the 2024 TOTO LPGA Classic.

First of all, congratulations on your win. Can you just talk about this week as a whole and what it's meant to you?

RIO TAKEDA: So I was able to be in a good pairing from the first round, and I think I had a very good three rounds, so overall I'm so happy to finish like this.

Q. Could you just talk about the playoff? It was a lot holes of golf. Very close between you and Marina. Talk about the emotions you felt while playing.

RIO TAKEDA: So that was my first time playoff, so I wasn't expecting that the game was that long, but I managed to win so I'm really happy.

Q. Now this is your eighth win on the JLPGA, first on the LPGA. Can you summarize what this year has meant to you and how amazing it's been?

RIO TAKEDA: So this week I could manage to have my eighth win and I'm surprised with that, but I have three more tournaments to go in Japan so I need to brace myself, and I just try to finish my year in a great way.

Q. You have the opportunity as well to be an LPGA Tour member with this win. Do you have any thoughts about that?

RIO TAKEDA: I'm still thinking about how to join the U.S. LPGA Tour.

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