Nitto ATP Finals

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Turin, Itay Pala Alpitour, Torino

Casper Ruud

Press Conference

C. RUUD/C. Norrie

1-6, 6-3, 6-4

THE MODERATOR: Questions in English.

Q. I want to ask you what was the key today to turn around the match? What do you think about playing Andrey Rublev on Friday?

CASPER RUUD: Well, I think I did better in the second and third, because I didn't do so many unforced errors, and I was serving also much better. The serve helped me a lot today. On this surface, when it's so fast, it's a very important shot. Probably the most important shot during the matches is to have a good serve, because you get a lot of free points. That was key today.

Everything changed a little bit with the momentum and everything after a couple of points that went my way in the 4-3 game in the second set. Cameron did maybe some unforced errors that helped me a little bit to get the break, and then, you know, that's how these matches can go. It's a point or two that can turn a match around. I'm very happy that it ended up going my way today.

On Friday, I have another tough challenge against Rublev. I played against him a couple of times and never was able to beat him, but I will of course try my best to bring something new to the table on Friday and challenge him in a different way than I have done before, because previously it hasn't been working as I wanted.

It will be a fun challenge. He's a nice guy. We know each other well. He's playing always with such high intensity, so I will have to try to do the same.

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