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Mirra Andreeva

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THE MODERATOR: Mirra, that was a pretty clean performance from you. Your thoughts on the match.

MIRRA ANDREEVA: Yeah, I knew that it's going to be tough, because we played just recently against each other.

So I tried to prepare myself that it's going to be a tough match. But new tournament, new conditions, so just very happy with the win today.

THE MODERATOR: Questions.

Q. You said on court that Conchita probably already has a training plan for you for tomorrow. Does she? Has she already shared it with you?

MIRRA ANDREEVA: She already told me that she booked a court at 12:00. I see not much time passed from the match. So, you know, she's working, she already did everything that we needed for tomorrow.

You know, she's just like this, but it's not bad, I guess. It's always good to have someone that does the court's booking and all that for you.

I'm not complaining about that (smiling).

Q. What was it like for you playing on Stadium Court at a big event?

MIRRA ANDREEVA: I practiced a couple of times on that court, so it wasn't pretty new for me. I knew what kind of court it would be, so, you know, I felt pretty comfortable playing out there. The atmosphere was great tonight, as well.

You know, I'm just very happy that I got the win in the end today, and I hope that the next match we can also play on a bigger stadium.

Q. I know that you have already talked about Conchita

quite often. One of my colleagues told me that it seems like you completely trust her and the atmosphere is really good in your team. Can you talk a little bit about what kind of interaction you guys are making.

MIRRA ANDREEVA: Since the beginning of our relationship, I mean, work relationship, I already felt like we had a great connection. At the first tournament that we went on together was already super great, and I felt very comfortable around her. I think she told me that it was the same for her, so thank God it's not just me.

The atmosphere is always, I feel like we're both very energetic, and, you know, I feel like we both know how to be energetic, but when we need to also calm down and take things seriously.

Yeah, I completely trust her with everything. I think she knows everything that's going on in my life. I don't know if it's good or bad, but, no, just like this. I'm just super happy to have her by my side.

Q. Have you ever had a time in your tennis life where you felt this confident, where you saw the ball the way you're seeing the ball, and it felt the way it's felt on your racquet, as it does the last couple weeks? And what does it actually feel like to be sort of in this spot, in this groove right now?

MIRRA ANDREEVA: I think that I felt that during Roland Garros I was feeling pretty confident during that tournament, and now, as well. Yeah, it feels great to win a lot of matches in a row. I cannot complain about that. I have been playing good recently.

You know, it's good. I like it. It just feels that I know exactly what to do on the court. For example, I would say that before on some tournaments, it depends on the match, but now I just know that, you know, I go out there, doesn't matter who I play, the ball is coming to me and I know what to do.

I just feel like, yeah, everything is clear in my head, and I know exactly what to do with the ball. It's kind of a good



feeling, I can say. I hope that I can maintain this for as long as I can.

Q. You mentioned Roland Garros. Does this court feel similar?

MIRRA ANDREEVA: No (smiling). Not really.

Q. Because Novak said that it felt like a high-bouncing clay court.

MIRRA ANDREEVA: Well, I would say here all the courts are, yeah, they have a high bounce and it's kind of, if you play fast, the bounce is fast; if you play high, the bounce is high.

The court is a bit interesting, but, you know, I find it very comfortable and I like playing here.

Q. It's your first tournament since recent success. Do you think other players are treating you differently or that when they see your name in the draw they react differently now?

MIRRA ANDREEVA: I have no idea how they react when they see my name in the draw.

I don't know. It feels the same, you know, with most of the players. We just say, hi, how are you, and that's really it.

I don't know. I don't feel any changes. I would say it's pretty much the same. So I would like to know their reaction when they see my name in the draw, but I don't.

Q. You don't feel like you have a target on your back now or...

MIRRA ANDREEVA: I didn't think about it, but I don't know. Could be, but I have no idea. Sorry (smiling).

Q. Have you impressed yourself the way you came from Dubai, obviously big moment, win a 1000, come here, different court, continued the momentum?

MIRRA ANDREEVA: Well, I wouldn't say that I really surprised myself. I kind of felt that sooner or later it's going to come, but I just of course didn't expect that it's going to be this soon.

You know, I take it. It's fine. It's better sooner than later. So yeah, it was a bit surprising, but I just know that everyone in our team, we worked hard for it. And, you know, in the end, as everyone is saying, hard work pays off, so, and it's just like this.

Q. I want to ask you, the transition of your play style, how your tennis is evolving throughout this past couple of years? I feel like when you were starting WTA level, you are very good at adjusting your opponents and you can change your tactics, play style a little bit. It seems like now you have your own play style, you kind of dominate. That is my impression. How do you feel about that?

MIRRA ANDREEVA: Yeah, I'm trying to adjust my game to my opponent's. So if I play a big hitter, I play one way. If I play someone like Ons that, you know, likes to create a lot of things on the court, then I also adjust and I play a little different.

So I guess that's a good thing about my game. I also feel like, you know, most of the time I play one way and I just know that if something goes wrong or if I feel like it doesn't work, I know that I'm able to adjust and to change something in my game.

So that feels, yeah, I feel pretty confident about it, and it just feels good to know that I know what to do if something goes wrong on the court.

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