

Davis Cup Finals

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Team Republic of Korea

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THE MODERATOR: Questions, please.

Q. Can you talk to me about the match. It was a very slow start. Felix won the first 12 points. Everything changed. What happened?

SOONWOO KWON: (Through translation.) At the beginning I was very, very nervous, so I had a pretty rough start. But I tried to focus on my play. I tried to play really, really aggressively. That's how the whole atmosphere of the performance changed. That helped me a lot.

Q. That was the best win of your career, your first win against a top-20 player. Do you think playing for Korea, playing Davis Cup, helped you to raise your level?

SOONWOO KWON: (Through translation.) I was eager to win because I represent my own country. So this is very, very special. It's totally different from playing as an individual.

Also this is the first time for me to win the top 13, which is very, very strong competitor. But this helped me a lot to continue my tennis career.

Q. This is the first time Korea has qualified for the Finals. You just gave the first win in this stage to your country. What does this victory mean to you? What was your approach facing Felix?

SOONWOO KWON: (Through translation.) This is absolutely meaningful for the whole team. Of course, the previous match, my teammate had a really tough game, but he had a great performance. That helped me to motivate more to win this match.

