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Wang Xinyu

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THE MODERATOR: Congratulations on your win. What are your thoughts on the match?

WANG XINYU: Well, it was really great atmosphere today. I enjoy every moment on court. Yeah, it was a tough match, tough opponent. I'm really happy that I'm moving into the next round, and looking forward for my next match here.

THE MODERATOR: Chinese questions.

Q. First time for you to make it to the third round of the China Open. I'm asking you this on behalf are your fans in Shenzhen. What are your thoughts for this match and preparations for the next round?

WANG XINYU: I think today I really enjoyed the match. There were many people rooting for me, cheering for me. I really look forward to the next match so I can meet with the crowd again.

Q. Can you talk about your preparation before the match today? What was the turning point in the first set?

WANG XINYU: Before this match I understand that she has really good defense, good returns. I need to be patient. She would be standing further back. I would focus on my placement so she would be forced to run around. That would be more aggressive for her play.

Q. In terms of baseline and serve, what did you think? Do you think your opponent was playing her best?

WANG XINYU: In terms of my serve, at the very beginning I wanted to make her run around. That was my goal.

In terms of the level of play, it doesn't really depend on yourself. It depends on you might be playing very well, but your opponent might be playing better. She is



well-prepared. She knows which position makes you feel uncomfortable.

There's so many factors that need to be taken into consideration.

Q. In terms of your tennis, I see more diversity. Do you think doubles helps you in that regard in terms of technique and your mentality? Your interaction with fans during the past few days, in practice, on court, there was a lot of support. Any good stories you can share with us or any good gifts?

WANG XINYU: I received some gifts. Last week it was my birthday, so I was feeling like I was celebrating my birthday the whole week.

In terms of my game, because I think doubles is good practice, but in singles the serve and the return, there's bigger pressure when you play doubles. That is really good practice for me in terms of approaching the net.

Q. You've been saying that health is your priority. When you are healthy, in the coming weeks, top 30 in the singles, or for the doubles coming into the WTA Finals, which one will be your priority? In terms of doubles your ranking is No. 8. What will be your focus in the coming weeks?

WANG XINYU: In terms of doubles, we're really happy with our performance this year. We didn't really set any big goals. I think in the coming weeks, I'm always saying that health is the most important thing. I would not be able to make any plans as of now.

Q. You're the last Chinese woman player here. Are you adapting more to these deeper runs because you can play your best compared to other players?

WANG XINYU: I don't think too much in terms of how many rounds, in terms of the deep runs, because I always focus on the next match, I focus on the next opponent, what kind of preparation do I need to make.

Q. The factor of your strength as well as luck, what is

... when all is said, we're done.

the proportion between these two?

WANG XINYU: I think sometimes luck of course is part of it. If in the first round you are facing a very aggressive opponent. Winning one or two matches with that level of confidence when you're facing the same person, I think your level of play will be quite different.

When you are under-prepared, even if you have luck, even with good opportunity, you would not be able to take that opportunity.

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