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Zheng Qinwen

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THE MODERATOR: Just talk us through your thoughts on the match and what felt good out there today for you.

ZHENG QINWEN: Yeah, today the match went quite fast, you know. Is easy but is not so easy, because I was leading 2-0 in the first set, and after, I wasn't play so aggressive and consistent, and then she come back at 2-2.

You know, the opponent was playing not so consistency, and in some of the ball I have to be more aggressive, but today my tactic was to be more solid.

You know, after 2-2, she made guite mistake and I was more consistency than her. That's how I won the first set. Not doing too much.

In the second set, I wasn't also that aggressive like I am doing. She's missing more, and after more than two, three shots, and that's how the match goes.

I didn't play 100% like my best level. I just doing like what I have to do today for win the match.

THE MODERATOR: Questions in English.

Q. In terms of your confidence level going into the tournament and especially after getting this first win, how are you feeling confidence-wise off of a very good obviously week in Rome, but then also maybe physically where do you feel as well?

ZHENG QINWEN: Talk about the confidence, I'm always like believe that I can beat every opponent in front, of course if my body is healthy and everything was in right place. But right now I was just, you know, always focusing the present, you know, day by day and point by point, ball by ball.

I don't want to think so far away and that's my target.

Q. Is that easy for you?

ZHENG QINWEN: No. Not at all. Sometimes I can't



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control myself to think too far away, but that's not helping, so I have to put my thinking back, you know, to the present right now. I mean, that's hard, but once I'm only focused on present, I'm playing my best tennis there.

Q. Just in terms of your experience in Paris, your experience at Grand Slams, how are you managing or planning to manage your days? Because you have a day off, but are you going to the site to practice every day? Are you taking time off? Are you seeing the city? What is your experience?

ZHENG QINWEN: Well, for the moment I didn't see the city yet. Of course I visit Paris already last year, but for the moment I'm more focused on the match, on the practice every day.

I am not getting so relaxed during the tournament, because I know there is lot of matches to go, and I have to be prepared mentally. So I don't want to get too relaxed, because my personality is if I get relaxed, I think I get too much. So I have to control myself to be, you know, more focused.

Q. Just wondering you're at your highest ranking now at 19. What do you think you need to improve or what are you working on to get into the top 10 or higher?

ZHENG QINWEN: Well, you know, actually I am not so happy with what I have been doing in this half year, because I thought I could have done little bit better, is already more slow than what I imagine from the beginning of the year.

So right now I'm trying to do good every single day, because I think what I'm doing before is I'm thinking too much far away. Like what I just told her before.

So right now I have to don't think about the ranking, because the ranking is not important at all for me. I have to just focusing every single day, and that's all. Yeah.

Q. You say you need to focus every single day. How do you do that? How do you work on that? I imagine it must be exhausting.

ZHENG QINWEN: Well, of course when you don't play tennis you have to be relax. But what I mean is I don't want my team, also me, to go like one day off, I think that's too much relaxing for us. I am kind of person when

. . . when all is said, we're done.®

I'm in a tournament until the last match finish I will not go out and have some fun with the people or to visit the city. I will do all at the end of one tournament.

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