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Carlos Alcaraz

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THE MODERATOR: Carlitos, were you happy with your performance today overall?

CARLOS ALCARAZ: Yeah, I'm really happy with the level that I played today. I mean, overcome the problems that was in the match because the windy and, yeah, it has been a really complete match from my side, and I'm really happy with that.

THE MODERATOR: Questions in English.

Q. (Question off mic.)

CARLOS ALCARAZ: Well, Alex (phonetic) scream. When we finish the interview and he told me that my English is good. You know, and I think my English is improving and I'm really happy with that.

Obviously the interview in the court, it was like finishing the match, you know, because the interview. Yeah, screamed "vamos" because I improved (smiling).

Q. Stefanos Tsitsipas told us he really enjoys spending time with you, because you bring joy to the world and you are happy all the time. You keep smiling. You keep winning. So I wanted to know, are you smiling all the time because you win, or are you winning all the time because you smile?

CARLOS ALCARAZ: I'm winning all the time because I am smiling (smiling). And I always said that smiling for me is the key of everything, you know.

Yeah, I enjoy being this kind of stadium, these kind of tournament, cities. That's the most important for me to enjoy, and that's why I smile all the time.

Q. Shapovalov is the next challenge for you. You never played against him, I guess. So what is your opinion? What can we expect from that match?

CARLOS ALCARAZ: Well, as you said, I have never played against him. But I practiced in Barcelona with him. But everybody knows his level. He's a really



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dangerous player. He has great shots.

It's going to be really difficult, really difficult match. I have to be ready on that, really focused on his shots.

But as I said a lot of times, I always try not to, you know, think about the opponent. I always try to think about me, about myself, you know, about my game, and try to put it into the match.

All I can say is tomorrow is a day off for me, and we are gonna think about the match tomorrow with my team and let's see how it's gonna be.

Q. You mentioned at the beginning it was another windy condition. Please tell me, in this kind of condition, how did you manage yourself on court?

CARLOS ALCARAZ: Well, is tough, you know, but I could say that I'm a player who plays really well with the windy. I practice in Vienna that has a lot of windy, a lot of days, you know, and I'm used to play with windy, let's say.

It's tough, because you play two games with windy, plus windy, and two games against windy, and it's really tough to adapt your game into that. You know, I tried to, you know, to play as best as I can, you know, with the windy.

Today I think I played a good level with that.

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