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## Mirra Andreeva

### Press Conference

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THE MODERATOR: Mirra, obviously a disappointing result for you today, but you must be really proud of your performance this year and all the experience you have gained this past week.

MIRRA ANDREEVA: Yes, it was a tough match for me, but I will take positive things and I will learn from it. I will just keep going.

THE MODERATOR: Questions in English.

**Q. Congratulations on a great Roland Garros. Just can you talk a little bit through the match, where you felt that you were able to get that first set and then maybe what shifted a little bit for you in the second and third sets.**

MIRRA ANDREEVA: It was a tough first set. We broke each other a lot of times. I was just playing. That's how game at that moment was, like I've touched the net like maybe two times in a row in the first set.

I don't know. I was just playing, and that way I won the first set and we played like for an hour the first set. And so I felt like it was -- it's not enough to win one set to win a match, and I didn't feel like, I don't know, I was trying to play, but something didn't work out and I've got disappointed, upset, and not really was thinking about the match. I was thinking about my mistakes.

I went too deep in this. Yes.

**Q. When you shot that ball into the crowd at the end of the first set, I'm just wondering for a few seconds if you thought you were going to get defaulted?**

MIRRA ANDREEVA: Yes, right after I thought that it was a really stupid move from me, because it was not necessary to do that. Yes, so that was not the best I could do and not the best. It was really bad what I did.

Yes, I had thoughts like this, but he just gave me a warning.



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**Q. You had spoken earlier in the week of feeling no pressure at all, saying you had nothing to lose. Did you still feel that way on the court today or when you walked onto the court, and did that change throughout the match?**

MIRRA ANDREEVA: I had the same feeling inside. I went just to play, and after I won first set I realized that I can win a match. In the beginning, I was just playing, and I was -- I didn't expect like to win or to lose. I was just playing how the game goes.

After the first set I won, I realize that I can really win this match. Then I got a little bit nervous not to lose this opportunity.

So I think that was a mistake from me. I should have just continued playing, and that's it.

**Q. There is a loss today, but I guess there is a lot of positive things from your tournament. What do you recall and what will be your schedule now?**

MIRRA ANDREEVA: Yes, I can take a lot of positive things from here. Passed qualies. I did win a couple of great matches. Yes, for sure there is a lot of positive things to take.

But, yes, and a lot of things also to take from this match. But, well, we will just continue to work. I will realize what I did wrong, and I will correct it. So I hope everything is gonna be okay after.

Now I'm limited still in tournaments, so my next tournament has to be Wimbledon. But I don't get my visa yet, so we will see if I can participate in Wimbledon or no. But if not, we will just choose the tournaments and I will just maybe play some ITFs. I don't know yet.

**Q. What do you think you will have as a favorite surface going forward in your career? If you do get to play Wimbledon, how much are you looking forward to play on grass?**

MIRRA ANDREEVA: I don't have a favorite surface, because when I play on hard I miss clay, but when I play on clay I miss hard. So I cannot say which surface is my favorite.

I didn't play on grass yet. It will be my first time. It can be my first time. I'm excited about it, because I have

never tried it. So if I can go there, we will see what I can do.

**Q. You mentioned your visa there. Is there a holdup with it? Do you know when you might get it? Will you chase that up now?**

MIRRA ANDREEVA: Me, I don't know anything. I just I know what my team tells me, what my parents tell me. So if you want like to know some stuff about it, you could ask just them. Me, I don't know anything (smiling).

**Q. Coco obviously had a very similar experience to you when she was the same age, slightly younger. At the end of the match, seems like you guys exchanged a couple of words at the net. What message did she have for you after having such a brilliant match?**

MIRRA ANDREEVA: First of all, I said congratulations, because she did a really good match. She deserved it. She said, like, that it was a good match. Just keep going and everything will be good. Everything will be okay. I think she said that. So yes.

**Q. Thank you for entertaining us here at Roland Garros, on the court and off the court. When you look at yourself in the mirror, Mirra, can you tell us, how do you see yourself now and how do you see yourself in the future?**

MIRRA ANDREEVA: That's a good question. I honestly don't know. I don't look that much in the mirror. But me, I'm just Mirra who loves to play, who enjoys. I hope I will stay the same person in the future. But the future is future, so I cannot know what will happen. So I guess that's it.

**Q. You haven't lost many matches this year, but do you have a post-loss routine? Do you have something that you like to do to get yourself back into a positive and normal mood?**

MIRRA ANDREEVA: Honestly, I didn't think about it. I just, after I lost these three matches in Madrid and in Paris [sic] and here, in Paris, in Madrid I was thinking, okay, it was a good tournament, I played a lot of matches, and I will just continue to work, just a lot of positive things to take.

I guess this is how I will manage myself after the loss, but now I cannot say, because I lost today and of course I'm disappointed also. So I don't know. I think I will just continue to work and then we will see.

**Q. Congratulations for a good tournament. I wanted to ask you, Coco was mentioning age and how she minds, she's annoyed everybody talking about her age, she's 19 and stuff like that. Do you mind when**

**people are now talking with you and mentioning your age, 16, breakthrough and stuff, or do you like that? How do you react on that?**

MIRRA ANDREEVA: Me, I just don't really react on that. People can write and can say what they want, so I'm not really into it. I just stay with right people around me, and I don't really think about it. So they can write whatever they want. I don't really care (smiling).

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