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## **Carlos Alcaraz**

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THE MODERATOR: Congrats, Carlos. Welcome back to the final here at Queen's. How confident are you now after having your longest career-best, 17-match winning streak?

CARLOS ALCARAZ: Well, yeah, it's great to be back in another final. It's special to play a final here at Queen's.

Yeah, just feeling great. I'm just enjoying my time, my time here. So, yeah, the confidence pretty high right now. Obviously, as I said, as much wins as you get, you're going to get more confident. The way that I'm moving, the way that I'm hitting the ball, I think it's really high right now.

So hopefully tomorrow it's going to be even better.

THE MODERATOR: Questions.

Q. About your serve, you served 15 aces today. Aside from your drill with Fran in practice, what has helped you improve it, after the match with Jaume, have two great serving days as you have done?

CARLOS ALCARAZ: Well, I have been really focused on that. Yeah, after Munar's match, I felt that I had to change something on the serve. I just put extra focus on the warmups just to try to be better, to feel better on the serve.

As I say, every time that I am enjoying the practices, enjoying my warmups, I enjoy stepping on the court, I think everything goes much better. And I think that's why I put Fran at the net, just to have fun, have a target on the serve. I think that helps a lot during the matches, just seeing in a certain way the target over there. So help me a lot to have that extra focus on the serve. I think that has been really, really helpful for me.

So once you put extra focus on something, you've got to do better. I'm just pleased about it.

Q. If we go back a few weeks, you won Roland



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Garros, which we talked about this week here. Such a high point for you. I just want to know more of the mindset of how you deal with having such a high point and then it coming back down naturally again. I know you had the Ibiza trip in there. How did you deal with those emotions again to get yourself back up for another event and into the final here?

CARLOS ALCARAZ: I mean, tennis is like this. The schedule is really tight. We have all those tournaments every week.

Yeah, that Roland Garros final, that Roland Garros title, I got an extra boost, let's say. Yeah, I had my days to celebrate it, to enjoy, to turn off my mind a little bit from that. It was like a chapter closed, and then should be, you know, let's say been in another chapter here at Queen's.

You have to be really focused on these tournaments, let's say in certain way forget about the past. You must be focused on what happens right now, what's going on right now. I think for me, the most important thing right now is Queen's, or at the beginning was Queen's, to do my best, to do my best result here.

So it kind of, yeah, you enjoy. Everything happen, and then move on and keep it going. So that's what tennis players have to do, because we play week after week.

Q. Your new mixed-doubles partner, Emma Raducanu, was in the crowd watching you today. Did you know that and did you get to speak to her afterwards?

CARLOS ALCARAZ: No. No, I couldn't. I saw on social media she came up to watch my match. I just glad. I mean, I was focused on the match. I didn't see her (smiling).

Just glad that she came to support, to watch my match. Yeah, I think it was great having her in the stands.

Q. Before the US Open, then, may you go and watch some of her matches, next week or at Wimbledon, as well?

CARLOS ALCARAZ: Well, it depends on the schedule, obviously. I have practices. I have matches. Yeah, I

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

would love to, yeah, if I have time, if, you know, if everything -- if I'm at the club or I don't have anything else to do, yeah, I would love to come and watch her.

I'm watching her matches from the TV every time that I can. So watching her in real could be fun.

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