Dow Championship

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Jin Hee Im Somi Lee

Press Conference

THE MODERATOR: Very pleased to welcome Somi Lee and Jin Hee Im after their win at the Dow Championship. It took another hole past 18. Jin Hee, you made the putt to win the match. Talk about what was going through your mind on 18 there.

JIN HEE IM: I just think about that Somi's shot, like that Lexi hit it really near to the pin, but she doesn't care and just hitting to the pin. I tried to do the same, just go for it.

Q. Somi, talk about what you were thinking when you saw Jin Hee right after the putt.

SOMI LEE: Well, I'm very, very nervous, but I'm just please, please, because I think Megan will get birdie. So please, I want one more. But she got birdie, so I'm so happy, yeah.

Q. You are officially LPGA Tour winners. How do you feel knowing that you're winners now going forward the rest of your careers?

SOMI LEE: First, I can't believe it. Last year we were rookie season, and LPGA is very tough and different than KLPGA. Now we are winners, so I'm so happy, yeah.

JIN HEE IM: Yeah, I agree with that. We try and work really hard these days. I just -- we have more confidence for this event, and I believe we got more trophies without just her and just me.

Q. Kind of my next question. To do it with each other, to win for the first time, how special is that for the both of you?

JIN HEE IM: I think she and me -- I mean, first team event, so I don't know but, I mean, I really believe in her. Last night little nervous to final round, but in my think it's not too far tomorrow, so probably can win.

SOMI LEE: I think you look not nervous.



JIN HEE IM: Yeah, I little bit. Team matches make it a little bit more fun.

SOMI LEE: I think so too. I think she's not nervous.

So on 16 hole and 17 hole, I'm just tiny bit nervous. She is just funny, she look like so funny, so more believe her. So I'm just more -- yeah, that's what.

Q. What did you think of the Dow tournament and just being in Midland, Michigan?

SOMI LEE: I'm playing last year with Haeran, so golf is always play alone, but this tournament is together. Yeah, I think it's so funny and very exciting. I love it, Dow, and Michigan, I love this weather and then this course. So I like Michigan, yeah.

JIN HEE IM: Yeah, this tournament is really special, so I just like that. And then, I mean, at the four ball I played odd number hole because, I mean, I like this course, but even number hole feels a little narrow; so she covered those holes.

I think that odd number holes is I can do it, so really good course for some holes is just straight and narrow and some holes can be aggressive, like really fun course.

Q. You guys are the 50th and 51st winners from Korea ever on the LPGA Tour. Considering how many great players have come from Korea, how excited and special is it to now have your names in that conversation?

JIN HEE IM: Like last year that some media is pushing us for like too much cheering the win. So that is a little pressure for us. Now we can say yeah!

SOMI LEE: I think so too. Korea, a long time ago, a lot of good players. I'm watching a lot of Korean players in LPGA, so I make a dream, I want to go to LPGA, and I want to play. Yeah, I did it.

Q. Then what will you take away from this week and

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

this win heading into Evian and eventually AIG, our last two majors of the season?

SOMI LEE: I think Evian and next major tournament, I think just same feel and same thing. Should be this win and forget and then again try to win, yeah.

JIN HEE IM: Almost the same, but I get more confidence. I'm trying really hard for my goal, so more believe in me and more trust in me and go for it.

Q. International Crown in Korea coming up later this year, another team event. You guys are Korea, one of the countries being represented. How excited are you to potentially play again together in Korea later this fall? (No response.)

Thank you so much. Congratulations again.

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