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Sara Sorribes Tormo

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THE MODERATOR: Questions, please.

Q. I have noticed in watching a number of your matches going back to Mexico and continuing in Miami that you display really excellent reaction skills at the net, particularly in being able to volley balls back over the net. I'm just curious how you learn a skill like that. How do you know how to react as well as you have? It seems like you win a lot of points at the net that way.

SARA SORRIBES TORMO: Well, thank you. The net is the place where I feel more comfortable. It has always been like this. When I was super young, I used to go to the net no matter what. First, second serve, and then dropshot and go to the net. It's a place where I feel more comfortable.

Yeah, I just played many times, many tennis. I don't know. I just like to do these kind of games with the hand and I feel comfortable there.

Q. I noticed shortly after you secured match point you raced over to one side of the court. Looked like you hugged a person, I believe she was wearing a black T-shirt. Was that your coach?

SARA SORRIBES TORMO: Yeah.

Q. Can you just talk through the match today? Obviously a bit tricky in the second set with Ons and everything. You're just going to laugh through this, but, yeah, what was the key to today's win?

SARA SORRIBES TORMO: I don't know. Tell me the key, because you knew since Australia. I don't know what else do I have to tell you. I'm still impressed. I think I told everyone who saw the interview, the history.

First of all, thank you. Thank you for the interview. I think it's very good. It's everything really good explain, and thank you.

And then I'm super happy. I think I played, I don't know if today was the best match of my life, but I think was one of the best matches, for sure. I'm playing the best tennis of my life, this is for sure. I'm playing long, I'm trying to attack more, I'm going more to the net. I feel comfortable.

I don't know. I feel good physically, and I'm just enjoying tennis and just enjoying life. That's the way I want to continue many, many weeks.

Q. You already had those great weeks in Mexico in Guadalajara and Monterrey, but when you got to Miami, did you think that a result like this, a big result at a 1000 was going to happen?

SARA SORRIBES TORMO: No, for sure no. I was two match points down in the first round, and I could lose easily. She had a volley here and she miss it, but Sara Sorribes was the same the week before here than now. For me nothing changed. I mean, I'm still working the same. Still having breakfast, same, still eating same.

Yeah, I think that's the way I have to do it. I didn't expect it at all. I just came here to keep improving, to keep learning every day, to being hopefully to play with the good players. Yeah, I'm just happy and I'm just surprised.

Q. What is the thing you're most proud of this week? You know, you have had three straight wins over top 30 players, very good top 30 players. You're obviously playing great. You saved the match points in the first round. Miami quarterfinal. What is the thing that you are most proud about in the achievements of the week?

SARA SORRIBES TORMO: I'm proud of playing every day at the good level. I'm proud of going out of the court and saying, Oh, I think I played good today. I think I learned that. I think I was able to manage these emotions.

Yeah, I'm happy that I'm playing every day, every day one, I don't know, good matches. Just keep learning every day. For me it's the most important thing. I know I always say the same but is true. Is the most important thing, because it's the only way to grow. For me, it's the only way to grow.



Q. You'll play either Garbine or Andreescu in two days. Can you talk about the challenges of playing each player?

SARA SORRIBES TORMO: Oh, I think both are amazing players. They both have Grand Slams. Garbine for me is one of the best players, for sure. Bianca is super young. We see what she did in 2019 was amazing.

Yeah, will be a tough match, for sure. I'll try to keep learning, to keep playing good tennis, and I don't know. Just stay there and wait more my opportunity if it's possible.

Q. I just wanted to ask you what kind of encouragement has your coach given you over the last few weeks? Anything out of the ordinary that she has said to you that has helped encourage you to go out and play as well as you have these last three weeks?

SARA SORRIBES TORMO: No. She's telling me exactly the same as since we started working, which was last year. I don't know. She's a really good friend of mine, first of all. She's a really good coach, because she's always trying to learn, to improve.

Yeah, she's helping me a lot. She's keeping me calm. I'm very energetic, as I always say, and she's always keeping me super calm. Yeah, she's super positive. She's always learning and she's helping me a lot.

Q. Did she say anything to you when you went over and shared the hug with her after the match?

SARA SORRIBES TORMO: No. I told her, What's happening? I don't believe it (smiling).

She told me, Okay, so you're going to have to believe it because you just won. And that's it. And then she left.

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