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**J. GOERGES defeats A. Sevastova
7-6, 6-3**

Semifinal Round

An Interview With: ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA

Q. Anastasija, you had lots of opportunities on her serve. What do you think was the difference there?

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA: It's tough to say, but I think she served well in this moment. It's not like I just gave her those points. She won them like fair and square. She served very well. It's tough when somebody serves always on the lines to play on clay.

Q. And how difficult was the break, having to play those 8 games yesterday?

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA: No, I don't think it was that difficult. It was okay. I started okay today, so I had chances also in the tiebreak. I don't know. But still had chances in the tiebreak and also I think in the second set.

Q. And do you feel as though, I mean overall you were serving very, very well this week. Your service games were going through. Were you serving any differently this week?

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA: I'm still not so satisfied with my serve. That's the only thing I can say. I think today it let me down a little bit, but yeah, other matches, yeah, for sure it helped me. I changed a little bit something. Like I turn a little bit more, but it's still you have to work on it, yeah.

Q. Aside from that what are kind of the positives that you take away from this week?

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA: The only positive is that I am going home, I think. (Laughs). No, it's disappointing to lose like that, but yeah, she made the right choices in the right moments.

Q. And that match before yours there was a match point in the second set. I know you guys were already waiting a lot, but is it hard to sort of get ready for it and then have to wait?

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ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA: Yeah, it's like two matches in a row I had to wait like that. Because the previous match Keys, Pera, I had to play after. So it was like warming up, not warming up, warming up. Yeah, it's tough sometimes.

Q. You said you're looking forward to going home, but what are some of the good memories of Charleston?

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA: The tournament is great. Everything is great here. I really like playing here. The centre court is amazing. The food and hospitality of the tournament is great. We got to drive Volvo was also nice. Yeah, it's easier when you know that there's the last tournament in U. S., it's like that. It's easier to play it and you are like happy to go home, but you are still happy playing this tournament. Either way, I would not be playing this tournament if I would not like it. I would just go home after Miami.

Q. Just in terms of the start of your clay court season and here, do you feel like this was a positive tournament for you in terms of getting your clay court season started or is it more disappointment?

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA: No, I mean for sure it's a positive in the end, like after maybe an hour or two hours, I would say it's a positive. But again, I had so many chances. But my leg was hurting a little bit. It can happen. She played amazing. So in the end it's still a positive, and if somebody would ask me if I would take the semifinals I would say, sure, I will take it.

End of Interview