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Jannik Sinner

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THE MODERATOR: Questions in English.

Q. Congratulations for this very hard-fought victory. My Italian colleagues and you, I will have to apologize that I have to ask about Novak, with all due respect to Musetti. Your relationship with Novak has been progressing in the sense of your self-confidence. You lost here in two sets in 2021, but then you played a five-setter, historic five-setter at Wimbledon in 2022. How do you feel in terms of self-confidence against such a great champion in case you play against each other? What did you talk about during this mini tennis exhibition at Larvotto?

JANNIK SINNER: Yeah, first of all, he has a tough match today, anyway. If it's him, I think we both know each other a little bit better now. Not only on court but also a little bit off court.

As we mentioned, we have done mini tennis there in front of our houses, basically. We spoke a little bit about everything, no? Always tennis-related. We spoke also about Milan also a little bit, because of the Champions League and everything. Also a little bit about different sports, basketball, what they have and what we don't have.

Talking about tennis now, it's always tough to play against him, no? He's one of the best players who have ever played this sport. It's always nice to have a chance to play against him.

But, you know, I don't want to talk so much because, as I mentioned, he has a very tough match today against Lorenzo. He has improved a lot. You know, here is a lot of Italian crowd also. You know, let's see.

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