



QUOTES



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with **MISCHA ZVEREV**

Lenz/Masur – Zverev/Zverev 4-6, 6-3, 11-9

QUESTION: That was a quite short appearance here in Hamburg?

ZVEREV: Yes, a short appearance. The match was long, but what can I say, we didn't use two match points and the other two played well, unfortunately that's the way it is. Again, Hamburg is a bit unlucky this year for me but Sascha is in singles and let's hope he will stay until Sunday.

QUESTION: How are you? You had to pull out of the singles competition?

ZVEREV: Actually not too well. That's why I was thinking about whether to play doubles this morning or not and now I will go to the doctor's and do an MR because I've had that for a few weeks.

QUESTION: You have so to say sort of steered clear of – not you personally but your brother – Hamburg. Did you feel that in the reaction of the fans today?

ZVEREV: I don't know, I don't have anything against the fans and the fans don't have anything against me either and Hamburg is in the second week after Wimbledon which is just inconvenient, especially if you intend to prepare properly for the hard court season and if the US Open is really your goal. If it were on a different surface it would be much easier. Then, all the Europeans could nicely stay at home after Wimbledon, probably spend a nice holiday in the south, do their hard court preparation and then play in Hamburg, and if there was another tournament on hard court, for instance Kitzbühel or Gstaad it would be the ideal, perfect preparation for America because most of the Europeans don't really want to go to America for two months which I can also understand.