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Madrid, Spain**

M. HINGIS/N. Petrova

4-6, 6-3, 3-6

An interview with:

NADIA PETROVA

Q. Nadia, tonight you were a different player at the beginning or it was your opponent?

NADIA PETROVA: No, I think I was a bit struggling in the beginning with myself. Absolutely didn't have an answer to it. I came out on court and started the match very slow and I just didn't feel like completing. I didn't feel like fighting. It was very strange for me to understand why is that happening, because all year we really work hard to be here then suddenly I feel like after beating Amelie I have a good chance against Martina, I come on court and I don't want to play.

Maybe because it's really too late. It's hard for me to understand. The only time I started playing again it was 3 in the second set. I really started fighting and you could see some energy coming out of me.

But in the third set I feel like I was already empty.

Q. Martina said last night she still remembers a great match against you in Moscow?

NADIA PETROVA: Right. It's been a long time, and I absolutely didn't think about it. I think my concern today was to play the game I can and to make myself compete and at least enjoy being out there.

Q. Tomorrow you're fighting again Justine. You still have a chance?

NADIA PETROVA: I still have a chance. I know that and hopefully tomorrow I'm not going to make the same mistake as I've done today, because then I would probably regret it for a long time, because I really felt like I had a good

chance this year. And so far after playing a match like today, it feels like I'm letting it go.

I don't want it to happen.

Q. Good luck.

NADIA PETROVA: Thank you.

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