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An Interview With:

**MELANIE OUDIN**

**MELANIE OUDIN defeats ALEKSANDRA WOZNIAK  
7-5, 6-0  
2nd Round**

**Q. Hi, Melanie. Are you excited?**

MELANIE OUDIN: Hi, I'm so excited. I played a really, really good match, from start to finish.

So I was really happy with the way I played and how I kept it up, especially through playing a set and not letting her come back at all.

**Q. Right. Because she started to come back in the first set.**

MELANIE OUDIN: Yeah. I had a 4-2 lead, and I got down 5-4. And then I actually called my coach to come out, and he didn't really say anything. He just kind of calmed me down or whatever because I knew I was right there with her, but yeah, it was a big game for me to hold to make it 5-5 and then I didn't lose another game.

**Q. Is this your biggest moment in your career so far or have there been others?**

MELANIE OUDIN: Well, the other one would be when I beat Sybille Bammer in Quebec because she was ranked 27 in the world, so I think she was the highest person I've beaten. Wozniak is 29, I think, but yeah, because this is bigger than Quebec, so this is definitely one of the top two biggest highlights I've had.

**Q. Now, your returns of serve today were outstanding.**

MELANIE OUDIN: Thank you.

**Q. I mean you were hitting clean winners off of some top serves. What do you attribute that to?**

MELANIE OUDIN: Well, I've always been a pretty good returner. I mean I'm pretty confident in my return of serve, but today I was like seeing the ball somehow. Like it was like a baseball to me today or something. It was like a basketball. It was so weird.

Every time I hit it totally clean, and it went exactly where I wanted it to go. So it was just a good day.

**Q. How do you feel physically? I know this was your fourth round.**

MELANIE OUDIN: Right. Right.

**Q. How do you physically?**

MELANIE OUDIN: I actually -- I mean I feel pretty good. I think I'm in pretty good shape, so I'm not too worried about the physical part of it at all.

I feel really good actually. I think I'm going to practice a little bit later, too.

**Q. Do you have a nickname?**

MELANIE OUDIN: Mel. Yeah. Everyone calls me that.

**Q. Are you going to be playing any more Fed Cup?**

MELANIE OUDIN: I am. I just got invited to play in Czech Republic in Prague. So I have to leave Monday to go there. So yeah.

**Q. Congratulations.**

MELANIE OUDIN: Thank you.

**Q. And I hope you do well the rest of the tournament here.**

MELANIE OUDIN: Thank you very much.

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