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**KURT KITAYAMA**

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**Q. That must have been quite nice.**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** Yeah, no, felt good today, hit it well. Been putting really well, so kind of clicked today.

**Q. Kind of like after a day like yesterday, today must have felt like a different world out there for you guys.**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** Yeah, definitely felt a lot easier after yesterday, it was playing really hard. So today felt like a calm day, which it was.

**Q. Kind of like got yourself within a couple few shots back of the lead right now. Just some thoughts into the weekend, into the final day?**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** Just got to keep doing what I'm doing and we'll see how far back I am after today, see what happens.

**Q. What do you think you've been doing well the last few days?**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** I think my putting and chipping has been really good, especially after the first day. I hit it poorly and I kind of kept myself in it, could have easily gone bad. So I think that's been the biggest thing this week so far.

**Q. This is your first start since the BMW.**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** Um-hmm.

**Q. Why are you out here and what you have you been doing the last few weeks?**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** Took some time off.

**Q. What did you do?**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** I went to Hong Kong and Korea for about eight, nine days, so that was fun. No golf clubs, so I didn't even think about golf, which is nice. It's rare we get to do that ever. It's been nice. In that position where I don't have to play in the fall and I can have an offseason to make changes if I want.

**Q. Came back to ZOZO, why is that? What prompted you to come back?**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** It's almost like an excuse to come here. Normally, if this wasn't here, I probably would have taken the whole fall off. But it's nice I can come back here. My mom likes coming out here.

**Q. She's here with you?**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** Yeah, she's here. So it gives her another excuse to come back and just kind of, you know, enjoy traveling again.

**Q. And this is the only one you're doing in the fall?**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** Yeah.

**Q. What's going on with the eye there? What happened to the eye?**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** I don't know. I'm going to hit a few and then I'm actually going to see a doctor to figure it out. I'm not sure what's going on.

**Q. When do it start?**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** Wednesday night, I think. Felt like something was in it. Yeah, it's been -- when I'm out, when I'm playing, I don't feel much, but when I'm not thinking about golf or at dinner, I can definitely feel it.

**Q. Does it affect your vision, or is it just irritating, or what's going on?**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** Yeah, it's a little irritating. It's mostly irritating, because I can get my contacts in, I can see. It gets maybe a little more blurry, I think. Yeah, that's about it.

**Q. Didn't seem to affect you today though.**

**KURT KITAYAMA:** Yeah.