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Swimming, day 2, flash quotes-morning

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SZTANKOVICS Anna (HUN), 1:08.66, finished at 25th place in women's 100m breaststroke:

"I would have wanted to swim better, but looking at this year, I have to admit that it was realistic. I had a two months shorter preparation time than the others. Compared to this, 1:08.66 is not a bad time. I'm a little bit disappointed because of the result, however, I'm glad that I didn't fret myself. We were deliberately preparing for this scenario with the cheering audience so that I can focus only on swimming and I managed to do it."

KOZMA Dominik (HUN), 1:46.83, reached the semi-final in men's 200m freestyle:

"We have discussed it earlier if swimming goes well, I shouldn't tire myself out, so I'm happy that I managed to do it. On the last 25 metres, I could even keep a little back so that I can have a stronger swim in the afternoon."

BERNEK Péter (HUN), 1:47.79, finished at 25th place in men's 200m freestyle:

"There is a fantastic atmosphere in the arena. I had goosebumps before stepping on the starting block. I think swimming went well in the morning, as I could swim almost my best. Maybe I have started too strong, and we are timing my best shape for Thursday when the 200m backstroke will be on. This year I had an injury, which set me back a little, compared to this I'm satisfied. Unfortunately, there won't be an afternoon swimming from this, but it was good for a morning one. In the end, I couldn't prepare for the 400m freestyle appropriately due to my injury. I tried to swim this distance a month ago in Rome, but I was in a big pain. We have decided to concentrate on an event, which can go well easily. My goal is to get into the final in the 200m backstroke and I will try to break my national record."

KÉSELY Ajna (HUN), 16:20.98, reached the final with 8th best time in women's 1500m freestyle:

"It was the first time in my life that I have swum 1500 metres in the morning and it wasn't very pleasant. I'm not very satisfied with my time. At the beginning, I didn't use a good tactic, I followed Kapás Bogi and the others and I couldn't keep it with such strength as the more experienced others. My coach drew my attention to this earlier, but the atmosphere

was so great that I was taken by the ardour in the arena and I became slower in the second part of the distance. For the present, this is not my event. I don't deal with my places, I deal with my times, as I will participate in a youth world championships after this one and I want to perform well there."

LEDECKY Katie (USA), 15:47.54, finished with the best time in the prelims in women's 1500m freestyle:

"I feel really good, despite the schedule is so tight. I did pretty much the same in Kazan, two years ago, so I know how to manage this. I have to grab every opportunity to get myself rested and go through the prelims as easily as I can. I usually relax in the team area, sometimes get a massage and things like that. I do not have a target time for the final, I will go out and race. I would like to achieve as many gold medals as I can."