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REALITY CHECK:
Yeovil's homely
Huish Park awaits
United's superstars



EYE-WATERING: Mkhitarian

Sanchez drugs rap

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debut tonight in their FA Cup fourth
round clash at Yeovil.

City were hot favourites to land him
until United made their move.

But Mourinho hit back at claims from
the blue half of Manchester that his
wage demands were too high.

Instead he believes Sanchez, who will
earn around £500,000 a week, chose
United because they wanted him more.

The Old Trafford boss said: "I know
that if other clubs did not get him it's not
a problem of money, for sure.

"You go and analyse the numbers and
Manchester City spent more money than
us, Chelsea spent more money than us,
I think even Everton spent more money
than us.

"I think Alexis reminds me a little bit of
when you see the tree with amazing
oranges at the top of the tree and
cannot get there.

"You say, 'Oh, I got the lower ones
because I don't like the ones at the top'.

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"But you like the ones at the top. They
are so nice, so orange, so round, so full
of juice but you cannot get there so you
say, 'I don't want to go there' or 'I didn't
like it, I prefer the other ones'."

The United boss, who insists it was the
Glazer family and Ed Woodward who
pushed for the Sanchez deal, also
defended the eye-watering sums
involved in the transfer that saw Henrikh
Mkhitarian go to Arsenal.

And he also hit out at claims that
Sanchez is a "mercenary" for opting to
join United, insisting the former
Barcelona forward deserves his deal
because of the risk he took in letting his
Arsenal contract run down.

He said: "Alexis could go everywhere.
He had lots of choices. He decided to
come here and you have to ask him why.

"Obviously, he wanted to be paid
according to his quality, according to
the perspective and - one thing people
sometimes forget - according to the risk.

"The player that lets his contract arrive
until the end is a player that is playing
and training every day at the limit of
risk, a risk other players don't have."

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