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## Veterinary Report – 2nd February 2017

**Name:** Diaghan (6 year old grey TB gelding)

**Trainer:** M Dunn

The above described gelding was examined at the stables of Mr Matthew Dunn on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2107. The gelding had developed a severe left fore limb lameness following fast work.

On examination the gelding was 4/5 lame at the walk with marked swelling of the soft tissue in the palmar cannon bone region. There was marked pain on palpation of the suspensory body that also extended into both the medial and lateral branches.

Radiography of the left fore cannon and fetlock revealed no significant abnormalities. Ultrasonographic evaluation of the suspensory body revealed a grossly enlarged ligament with a diffuse mixed echogenicity through the entire body of the ligament and extending into both branches. The images observed were consistent with a severe tear/rupture of the suspensory ligament.

The gelding was administered analgesics/anti-inflammatories and a heavy support bandage applied.

'Diaghan' has sustained a severe injury to the left fore suspensory ligament. The prognosis for a return to racing is considered hopeless and retirement is recommended. The gelding should be confined to a stable or small yard for a period of 4-6 weeks. After this period and if the horse is sound it could be kept in a larger yard for 4- 6 weeks before paddock turnout.

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