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An interview with:

**SIR MICHAEL R. STOUTE
RYAN MOORE
JAMES WIGAN**

Q. Talk about having to use your speed early given your post position?

SIR MICHAEL R. STOUTE: I think that was a contributing factor, but you'd have to ask the jockey about what she felt like. I just didn't want them to get tired or bored.

THE MODERATOR: Ryan, take us through the start of the race breaking through the 1 hole and having to secure position early?

RYAN MOORE: As I said, I thought she was the best filly. You know, I'd rather have been drawn there than 6 and out. So I just thought we'll just make the best use of it as we can, and try to push forward and make the others work to come around us. I thought she'd stay very well. I thought she was the best filly. So we just kept it as straightforward as we could.

THE MODERATOR: Your thoughts on how she feels on the firm going versus other?

SIR MICHAEL R. STOUTE: No, I mean, you can see it quite clearly from her form that she likes it, the quicker the better. When she worked in the Curragh, that was very fast that day. That was the first time I felt that she belonged in this sort of class.

Q. Ryan, this has been a very successful North American trip for you, winning the Canadian International at Woodbine on Sunday, and coming to Santa Anita and winning another group, maybe there is more to come today. I know you were riding Dandino in the Melbourne Cup on Tuesday, give us your thoughts please.

RYAN MOORE: He ran very a very good trial in Caulfield, and I think he's got a nice draw.

In that sort of race, I really don't know what it takes to win it just yet. But he travels and he's got gears. He quickens well. He shuts down as well. So hopefully he's got other attributes, but that sort of race is very hard to work out what you need.

Q. What kind of filly personality-wise, physically, does it take to come over here several times and have her run as well as she does with all the travel and the back and forth and the acclamation?

SIR MICHAEL R. STOUTE: With a very, very good team behind her, that is the first thing. We leave nothing to chance where the traveling is concerned, because that is of utmost importance. But she has a great temperament. This is what helps her, a great attitude, very good filly.

THE MODERATOR: James, can you talk about your trainer and your jockey and, the way they've prepared and ridden your horse?

JAMES WIGAN: Well, they're the best. I couldn't say anything more. They're fantastic. I've got the utmost confidence, and it's lovely to be with them.

THE MODERATOR: That is Michael's sixth Breeders' Cup win today; his second in the Filly and Mare Turf.

Q. You've got to discuss what you're going to do with her to finalize that. But if you kept her in training, would it be to come back here and try to win again?

JAMES WIGAN: I think he would, probably, yes. I'd love to come back.

Q. Michael, you won the race with Islington, this filly has good form, maybe not the same high-profile. Is she someone that's been slightly underrated in Europe? How do you rate her overall?

SIR MICHAEL R. STOUTE: I don't think she was at her very best at Royal Ascot. There

was an incident just before the race. I think she should be unbeaten this year. If he allows us to keep her going, she'll show them how good she is.

Q. With the six wins and all of the new races now in Europe, how do you decide to come over here or not come over here with a certain horse? Is it getting to be a tougher decision to decide where to run this time of year?

SIR MICHAEL R. STOUTE: Yes, I mean, you know there are other options. I've always been a great Breeders' Cup fan. She was a year-end candidate, so there was no soul searching there. But it is a very expensive trip, and we'll have to think about it very, very carefully under different circumstances.

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