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Technical Delegate's Report

After the incident with car number 11, driver Sergio Perez, (loss of LHS rear wheel), the car, the LHS rear wheel and the LHS rear wheel nut were examined.

Witnessmarks on the inner side of the wheel let assume that there has been some sort of debris between the wheel nut and the axle shaft when the wheel was fitted to the car. This probably gave a wrong indication to the wheel operator that the wheel nut was properly torqued and tight. But only the first stage of the retention device was engaged at this point and further the red line on the axle shaft, which is only visible when the wheel is properly fastened could not be seen by the wheel operator.

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