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Aircraft Type and Registration: Airbus A320-211, G-BUSG

No & Type of Engines: 2 CFM 56-5-A1 turbofan engines

Year of Manufacture: 1989

Date & Time (UTC): 10 August 1993 at 1741 hrs

Location: London Heathrow Airport

Type of Flight: Public Transport

Persons on Board: Crew - N/A Passengers - N/A

Injuries: Crew - N/A Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Top hinge of left rear passenger door broken away from

aircraft

Commander's Licence: N/A

Commander's Age: N/A

Commander's Flying Experience: N/A

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was parked on Stand B21 at London Heathrow Airport and the commander was waiting for the aircraft doors to be closed before departure. As the motorised steps were being driven away from the left rear passenger door the side safety rail of the vehicle caught the bottom of the door.