

Boeing 747-400, B2456

AAIB Bulletin No:	12/98	Ref:	EW/G98/09/19	Category:	1.1
Aircraft Type and Registration:	Boeing 747-400, B2456				
No & Type of Engines:	4 Pratt & Whitney PW4256 turbofan engines				
Year of Manufacture:	1989				
Date & Time (UTC):	27 September 1998 at 1707 hrs				
Location:	London Heathrow Airport				
Type of Flight:	Public Transport (Passenger)				
Persons on Board:	Crew - 19 - Passengers - 228				
Injuries:	Crew - None - Passengers - None				
Nature of Damage:	Substantial to engine cowling and airbridge				
Commander's Licence:	Airline Transport Pilot's Licence				
Commander's Age:	36 years				
Commander's Flying Experience:	11,000 hours (of which 5,300 were on type)				
	Last 90 days - 225 hours				
	Last 28 days - 75 hours				
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot				

While parking at Stand H 9, the pilot misjudged his approach and collided with the airbridge. The pilot attributed the cause of the incident to his personal error.