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INCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration: Fokker F27 Mark 200 Friendship, G-STAN
No & Type of Engines: 2 Rolls-Royce Dart 528-7E turboprop engines
Year of Manufacture: 1959
Date & Time (UTC): 5 October 1993 at 1805 hrs
Location: Aberdeen Airport, Scotland
Type of Flight: Public Transport
Persons on Board: Crew - 4 Passengers - None
Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A
Nature of Damage: Minor puncture of skin and deformation of two stringers
Commander's Licence: Airline Transport Pilot's Licence
Commander's Age: 33 years
Commander's Flying Experience: 4,000 hours (of which 1,500 were on type)
Last 90 days - 200 hours
Last 28 days - 83 hours
Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

Shortly after the aircraft was parked on Stand 04, the aircraft was struck by a catering van which was being reversed towards the left forward door. Sunset occurred at approximately 35 minutes before the accident; the weather was fine and the van driver was being marshalled by another person, but claimed that he was looking in the passenger side wing mirror at the time and missed the signal to stop.

The van driver held an Aberdeen Airport (BAA) Airside Driving Permit, issued on the basis of an in-house driver training course given by the catering company. A representative of the company signed a declaration confirming satisfactory completion of the training course, and submitted this to the Aberdeen Airport authority for permit issue. No practical driving test was conducted as part of this training course.