Airbus A321-200, G-MIDE

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INCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration: Airbus A321-200, G-MIDE

No & Type of Engines: 2 International Aero V2533-A5 turbofan engines

Year of Manufacture: 1998

Date & Time (UTC): 5 October 1998 at 1130 hrs

Location: London Heathrow Airport

Type of Flight: Public Transport (Passenger)

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

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

Nature of Damage: Minor to fuselage skin

Commander's Licence: Airline Transport Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 45 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 10,250 hours (of which 250 were on type)

Last 90 days - N/A

Last 28 days - N/A

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was parked on Stand N84. After the passengers had been disembarked, a baggage belt loader was driven into the aircraft under the door of the bulk loading hold causing a gouge in the fuselage skin. The aircraft was removed from service for further engineering investigation.