

# Boeing 737-3Q8, G-OBMP, 5 April 2001 at 1100 hrs

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**Aircraft Type and Registration:** Boeing 737-3Q8, G-OBMP  
**No & Type of Engines:** 2 CFM56-3C1 turbofan engines  
**Year of Manufacture:** 1992  
**Date & Time (UTC):** 5 April 2001 at 1100 hrs  
**Location:** London Heathrow  
**Type of Flight:** Public Transport  
**Persons on Board:** Crew - 4 - Passengers - 60  
**Injuries:** Crew - None - Passengers - None  
**Nature of Damage:** Wing tip damaged  
**Commander's Licence:** Airline Transport Pilot's Licence  
**Commander's Age:** 43 years  
**Commander's Flying Experience:** 10,000 hours (of which 4,500 were on type)  
Last 90 days - 60 hours  
Last 28 days - 20 hours  
**Information Source:** Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

Following a flight from Brussels, the aircraft was parked on Stand D58R. Before the cabin doors had been opened the aircraft was felt to shake slightly. The commander disembarked from the aircraft suspecting something had impacted with it. On walking around the right hand wing he found that a ground services van had reversed into the trailing edge. He reported that persons on site had commented that the van driver had reversed without guidance.