

Airbus A320-231, G-OUZO, 2 September 1997

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Aircraft Type and Registration:	Airbus A320-231, G-OUZO
No & Type of Engines:	2 IAE V2500 turbofan engines
Year of Manufacture:	1993
Date & Time (UTC):	2 September 1997 at 2120 hrs
Location:	London Heathrow Airport, Middlesex
Type of Flight:	Public Transport
Persons on Board:	Crew - N/K - Passengers - N/K
Injuries:	Crew - None - Passengers - None
Nature of Damage:	Severe damage to wing tip and winglet
Commander's Licence:	N/A
Commander's Age:	N/A
Commander's Flying Experience:	N/A
	Last 90 days - N/A
	Last 28 days - N/A
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the operator

The aircraft was parked on stand J6 with refuelling and loading taking place with the operating crew on board. A catering truck, having just completed catering via door '2 Right', was being driven clear of the aircraft when it struck the right wing severely damaging the wing tip leading edge and winglet. Both components had to be replaced before the aircraft was released for service.