

Boeing 757-236, G-BIKH

AAIB Bulletin No:	12/98	Ref:	EW/G98/10/19	Category:	1.1
Aircraft Type and Registration:	Boeing 757-236, G-BIKH				
No & Type of Engines:	2 Rolls- Royce RB211-535C-37 turbofan engines				
Year of Manufacture:	1983				
Date & Time (UTC):	22 October 1998 at 1420 hrs				
Location:	London Heathrow Airport				
Type of Flight:	Public Transport				
Persons on Board:	Crew - 9 - Passengers - None				
Injuries:	Crew - None - Passengers - N/A				
Nature of Damage:	Substantial to forward cargo hold and door				
Commander's Licence:	Airline Transport Pilot's Licence				
Commander's Age:	50 years				
Commander's Flying Experience:	13,000 hours (of which 4,000 were on type)				
	Last 90 days - Not known				
	Last 28 days - Not known				
Information Source:	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot				

The crew had just boarded the aircraft and were completing their initial checks when the commander felt an impact with the aircraft. He switched off the electrical power to the aircraft and left the flight deck to investigate. He observed a belt baggage loading vehicle with its front wheels off the ground and its forward end in the forward baggage hold. There was no sign of any fluid leakage from the aircraft.

The driver of the baggage loader had failed to stop in time to prevent a collision with the aircraft.