

# A300B4-603, D-AIAR, 26 September 1997

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<b>Aircraft Type and Registration:</b>	A300B4-603, D-AIAR
<b>No &amp; Type of Engines:</b>	2 CF6-80C2A3 turbofan engines
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>	1990
<b>Date &amp; Time (UTC):</b>	26 September 1997 at 0732 hrs
<b>Location:</b>	London Heathrow Airport, Middlesex
<b>Type of Flight:</b>	Public Transport
<b>Persons on Board:</b>	Crew - 8 - Passengers - None
<b>Injuries:</b>	Crew - None - Passengers - N/A
<b>Nature of Damage:</b>	Damage to refuelling coupling
<b>Commander's Licence:</b>	Airline Transport Pilot's Licence
<b>Commander's Age:</b>	43 years
<b>Commander's Flying Experience:</b>	10,162 hours (of which 834 were on type) Last 90 days - 75 hours Last 28 days - 65 hours
<b>Information Source:</b>	Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The aircraft was being refuelled on Stand E7 (Terminal 2) prior to the passengers being boarded. The refuelling was conducted via a mobile dispenser from a ground storage facility. The refueller attempted to move the dispenser from under the left wing whilst the hose was still connected. The refuelling coupling was damaged but there was no leakage of fuel. No delay was experienced on the flight departure.