

AAIB Bulletin No: 9/95

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Aircraft Type and Registration: Boeing 727-100C, OO-DHN

No & Type of Engines: 3 JT8D-7B turbofan engines

Year of Manufacture: 1969

Date & Time (UTC): 8 July 1995 at 2330 hrs

Location: Luton Airport

Type of Flight: Public Transport

Persons on Board: Crew - 3 Passengers - None

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - N/A

Nature of Damage: Damage to starboard outer flap actuator fairing

Commander's Licence: Not supplied

Commander's Age: Not supplied

Commander's Flying Experience: Not supplied

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

A fork-lift was being used to reposition freight for loading into the rear hold of the aircraft when it struck and damaged the starboard outer flap actuator fairing. The aircraft was grounded until repairs could be carried out.

Standing instructions are in place at this airfield whereby ground vehicles are not to be manoeuvred in the proximity of aircraft unless a ground vehicle marshaller is able to assist; this did not happen on this occasion.