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INCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration: Boeing 757-23A, G-OOOG

No & Type of Engines: 2 Rolls-Royce RB211-535E4 turbofan engines

Year of Manufacture: 1989

**Date & Time (UTC):** 31 August 1994 at 0645 hrs

Location: Glasgow Airport

Type of Flight: Public Transport

Persons on Board: Crew - 9 Passengers - 228

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Aircraft skin punctured aft of left rear door

Commander's Licence: Airline Transport Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 32 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 8,507 hours (of which 3,244 were on type)

Last 90 days - 247 hours Last 28 days - 67 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

After landing the aircraft was taxied onto Stand 8 with marshaller assistance. The parking brake was applied and the engines were shut down. A 'Prime Mover' tug vehicle then manoeuvred to position a set of mobile steps at the left rear door for passenger disembarkation. During this operation, however, the driver of the tug inadvertently towed the steps into the side of the aircraft, scraping, denting and puncturing the aircraft's skin. The passengers, none of whom were injured, disembarked normally.

Engineering examination of the tug and the steps after the incident revealed that both units were fully serviceable.