

INCIDENT

Aircraft Type and Registration: Boeing 737-400, G-DOCK

No & Type of Engines: 2 CFM56-3-C1 turbofan engines

Year of Manufacture: 1992

Date & Time (UTC): 21 February 1993 at 1210 hrs

Location: London Heathrow Airport

Type of Flight: Public Transport

Persons on Board: Crew - 7 Passengers - 141

Injuries: Crew - None Passengers - None

Nature of Damage: Left angle of attack probe broken

Commander's Licence: Airline Transport Pilot's Licence

Commander's Age: 46 years

Commander's Flying Experience: 13,000 hours (of which 6,000 were on type)
Last 90 days - 125 hours
Last 28 days - 40 hours

Information Source: Aircraft Accident Report Form submitted by the pilot

The left angle of attack probe was found to be broken during the aircraft departure checks. The probe was removed and the aircraft despatched with a deficiency in accordance with the despatch deviation manual. A replacement probe was fitted on the subsequent return of the aircraft to Heathrow.

It is probable that the probe was broken by contact with the jetty during jetty alignment on the aircraft's arrival at Heathrow.