

**London Ambulance Service**

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INCIDENT REPORT**FROM: MARK BELKIN, G198, ISLINGTON AMBULANCE STATION****INCIDENT LOCATION: TAVASTOCK PLACE****COMMAND POSITION: BRONZE FORWARD****DATE OF INCIDENT: 07/07/05**

OVERVIEW OF ROLE: I was at E3 station, regarding paperwork, in the team leader corsa. Seeing the Kings Cross Incident on the news I spoke to CAC and was instructed to go to Russell Square underground station. I decided to use the FRU from D4 which was at E3 with paramedic Jim Underdown, under the given call sign G198.

On the way there travelling up Upper Woburn Place we came across what appeared to be the roof of a bus a lot of debris and injured persons. A police officer came up to us and told us there may be a second device so as to park away from scene, near Euston Road. We then went to the scene carrying as much primary response equipment as possible.

On arrival at scene I noticed another crew had turned up which I now believe was H301. We started to move on stretcher/ boards etc.. seriously injured patients away from the carnage and potential danger of a second device into a court yard on the left. Fortunately this was very near the BMA School hence there was many doctors available and I managed to put a doctor with each patient that was carried through to the courtyard/triage area with the LAS crews assisting them.

I had 8 patients that I triaged into high priority 2s. At that time I had lack of fluids and collars, what were the main shouts from the doctors. Because of the potential of a second device, the police decided to do a controlled explosion, so I decided to move the patients and equipment to an adjoining courtyard further back. This would now be the clearing area.

Once that was completed HEMS doctor arrived. I triaged the patients again and HEMS then organised the order of loading the patients into the now awaiting ambulances at the back entrance of the courtyard.

KEY DECISIONS MADE:

To triage in the courtyard

To put an individual doctor with each patient

To move patients to clearing area.