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On July 1, 1989, a B747 from Buenos Aires to Miami, encountered severe turbulence for five to twenty seconds while cruising at flight level 350 causing an altitude gain then loss of 200-300 feet. Although the seat belt sign was illuminated, some passengers who had disregarded the sign received minor injuries when thrown into the air, some striking their heads and shoulders on the overhead panels. Following the incident, the flight engineer and captain visited the main cabin separately to assess the situation. The aircraft sustained only minor damage. Damage to the interior was limited to a cracked ceiling panel, a loose seat, and several oxygen masks dropping. Nine passengers and the flight attendant received minor injuries and were assisted onboard by several doctors. The flight continued to Miami and Paramedics met the aircraft on arrival.

