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**PART 1: Review Comments**

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<u>Compulsory REVISION</u> comments		
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	Line 72-74: what is the benefit of check for the minor thalassemia, Since they are included In table 2: Dietetic History: clarify it is number	- Checking for thalassemia minor: To clarify the difference between the 328 girls with microcytic anemia in table (2) and the 276 girls who had iron deficiency anemia in fig. 1. As thalassemia minor has high prevalence in Egypt. And any child with non iron deficient microcytic anemia is checked for thalassemia. - Regarding the dietetic history in table (1): I am sorry, but I don't understand your comment very well. But as far the number in the dietetic history represent the number of times iron rich food was given to the girls per week and the number of times food blocking iron absorption was given per day. Due to high frequency of bad dietetic habits interfering with iron absorption in Egypt, we expressed its number of times per day not per week.
<u>Optional/General</u> comments		