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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</u> REVISION comments	Abstract - The author seems to think election are stressful events that can lead to affect M/F. There are other factors like in the female, the workplace, unemployment etc. - Does not show the research design - Line 13 a sentence starts in words and not numbers - Tools of the data analysis is not shown - Conclusion should line 29 ." it would appear----- ----- Needs to be re-written	
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Introduction The paper do no give the baseline data the M/F before the elections as point of reference to mark the changes The political situation and election process which might influence M/F The author should show other possible factors that can influence M/F The definition of the problem is not clear - Line 35 should be removed - Line 45 (1,2) full stop is missing and no year for the reference Trivers- Willard - This paper is well written but there are some doubts that the authors need to clarify.	
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Methodology - Some of the comments on this section is on	



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	the abstract - Do not show where the study was carried and time period - Do not describe how the information were collected and analysed - Line 83 and 84 personal communication – there was no document to support the argument and decided to use personnel communication - Line 96 excel what is it- a program? - Line 98 Chi test is written twice - Which package was used to analyse data is it bio.med-stat excel or the excell	
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Results - Not well written for the common reader to grasp what has been presented - The author did not show how he will handle other factors that can lead to individual to have stress - Line 110 –election years- which are they?	
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	Conclusion - Line 137-139 should be removed and sent to introduction - Conclusion is weak and needs to be re-written	
<u>Optional/General</u> comments		

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