Reviewer's report

**Title:** Five-year trends in epidemiology and prevention of mother-to-child HIV transmission, St. Petersburg, Russia: results from perinatal HIV surveillance

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**Reviewer:** Steven Nesheim

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Essentially, I approve of the present version of the article without revision, with a couple of minor questions.

Is the annual cost of Enhanced Perinatal Surveillance in St Petersburg (3rd page of discussion) really $20,000? If so, no revision required.

Discussion page 4: "...middle income countries with large proportion..." should read 'with a large proportion'

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.