Reviewer's report

Title: Comparison of Two Interferon Gamma Release Assays in the diagnosis of Mycobacterium tuberculosis infection and disease in The Gambia

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Reviewer: Claudio Fortis

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General
The Authors have in substance replyied to my questions. However, I have some revisions to request:
- Page 5, 1th paragraph: According to the Scarpellini’s paper (that should be cited as reference)the correcte sentence should be "Negative control wells were required to have less than 20 SFUs per milliom PBMCs".
- Page 9: not figure 2, but table 2.
In figure 2 there is a mistake, among the 85 TST positive contacts 13 were "ELISPOT negative/QFT-GIT positive", and not vice versa. Some more, among the 90 TST negative contacts is better to write "13 ELISPOT negative/QFT-GIT positive".

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

The English script is not much fluent.

What next?: Accept after minor essential revisions

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the
statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests