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I am pleased to submit a copy of the manuscript entitled “How do motorcyclists manage mental tensions of risky riding? A Qualitative study” to be considered for publication in the BMC-Public Health. In this qualitative study we aim to explore how Iranian motorcyclists resolve mental tensions resulting from inconsistent thoughts and behaviors in risky riding, using Cognitive Dissonance theory. This is an important topic because of the alarming rate of injuries, disabilities, and deaths associated with road crashes in Iran and many other countries not only in the eastern Mediterranean but in the developing world -- a situation referred to as “the neglected epidemic”. This is a concern that has to be recognized and voiced by the larger national and international audiences to prompt traffic injury preventions.

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