Reviewer's report

**Title:** Management of environmental health issues for the 2004 Athens Olympic Games: is enhanced integrated environmental health surveillance needed in every day routine operation?

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**Reviewer:** Pierre Gosselin

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General
The authors have responded very well to most previous comments

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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)
1) About a reference on the success of Athens Olympics: one needs not a scientific reference here, any major newspaper or magazine source would be fine.
2) I don't see why mentioning, as an explanatory hypothesis, that corruption of inspectors has not been checked could be subject to litigation. There is ample evidence that corruption exists in health matters all over the world and has been documented scientifically (just type "corruption" as a key word in PubMed and you'll get 18 pages of references from all continents). As the authors seem unwilling to mention this possibility in the discussion I don't want to stop the paper from being published. But this is a real possibility that public health departments usually don't plan for while they should, especially in such high stakes situation as the Olympics.

**What next?:** Accept after discretionary revisions

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

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** No

**Declaration of competing interests:**
I declare that I have no competing interests