Reviewer’s report

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Reviewer: Sennen Hounton

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Dear Editor,

I am not sure this exercise is worth a full publication in a scientific journal such as this one, but maybe a commentary to contribute to the post 2015 agenda. Although there is merit to find research questions at global level to advance a particular field, or build the evidence based for particular interventions, maternal and perinatal remains a health system issue which is predicated upon and impacted by wider sociocultural determinants including gender inequalities, and hence will primarily remain contextual. I will respectfully request the authors submit a much shorter version as commentary to the Lancet.

Best regards

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:

No competing interest