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ANSWER TO EDITOR COMMENTS

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1) Reviewer 1, response 5: the reviewer is asking you to acknowledge the limitations likely related to under reporting. This could be added to the limitations in the discussion.

ANSWER: the limitation has been added (page 11).

2) Reviewer 1, response 10: it would be helpful if you could put a brief definition of what SII and RII are in the footnote of the table. This would mean that the reader doesn't have to go back to the manuscript to check this.

ANSWER: Included as a footnote in table 2.

3) Reviewer 1, response 15: I still feel as though and explanation of the differences found with these studies needs to be further unpacked. This is only discussed in a limited way on page 10, para 1.

ANSWER: We have expanded the explanation of the existence of gender and socioeconomic inequalities in suicide mortality and also commented a little bit more on the evolution of inequalities in suicide mortality and their differences with inequalities in poor mental health (see changes shown in page 10).