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Dear Sir,

Response to Editor’s comments on the manuscript titled "Hypoparathyroidism, Sensorineural Deafness and Renal Disease (Barakat syndrome) caused by a reduced gene dosage in GATA3: A case report and review of literature" (BEND-D-19-00163R2)

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to submit a revised version of the manuscript. A detailed description is annexed to this letter explaining how we have dealt with each of the editor’s concerns. The revised manuscript is also attached.

We look forward to an early response.

Thank you.
Yours Sincerely,

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Editor Comments:

We thank the editor for the valuable comments.

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