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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 34285-revised manuscript.docx).

Title: Minor endoscopic sphincterotomy followed by large balloon dilation for large choledocholith treatment

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The manuscript has been improved according to the following suggestions:

Revisions according to Editor's suggestions:

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Revisions according to Reviewer's code 02650654 suggestions:

This is an interesting paper. It would be interesting to know how much time (days?) the effects of sphincter dilatation persist? This could be evaluated with imaging controls.

Reply: To date, there are 4 studies focused on the duration of sphincter dilatation and most of endoscopists agreed that the disappearance of the waist of the balloon might be considered as the end of the dilation procedure. However, there was no study evaluated how much time the effects of sphincter dilatation persist, and this is indeed worth exploring and studying. It might be more accurate to evaluate the persistent duration of sphincter dilated effects with sphincter of Oddi manometry.

Thank you again for considering our manuscript for publication in the *World Journal of Gastroenterology*.

Sincerely yours,

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