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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the edited manuscript in Word format (file name: 3784-Revised.doc).

Title: Consumption of spicy foods and the prevalence of irritable bowel syndrome

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The manuscript has been improved according to the suggestions of reviewers:

1 Format has been updated

2 Revision has been made according to the suggestions of the reviewer

(1) In this interesting manuscript, the authors explored the association between consumption of spicy foods and prevalence of IBS among Iranian adults. They performed a cross-sectional study from 4763 Iranian adult participants. Consumption of spicy foods was estimated using a dietary habits questionnaire, and the prevalence of IBS was estimated using a modified persian version of the Rome III questionnaire. The study have concluded that consumption of spicy foods is directly associated with IBS, particularly in women. This article is interesting and the readers will get some beneficial information from this. The paper have some grammar error. Please check and amend again.

We have carefully revised the English syntax throughout the manuscript, with the assistance of our co-author, Christine Feinle-Bisset, who is a native English speaker.

3 References and typesetting were corrected

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

Sincerely yours,

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