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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Compulsory REVISION comments	<p>The paper 'Variability of f_oE in relation to the solar indices (R_z and $F_{(10.7)}$) at the equatorial ionosphere' intends to present the correlation of the E-layer critical frequency with solar activity variation during the 21 and 22 solar cycles at Ouagadougou station located in the African equatorial region.</p> <p>The authors say in the abstract that the f_oE parameter correlation with solar activity at this station 'have not been formally evaluated', but the f_oE correlation with solar indexes during 20, 21 and 22 solar cycles, with the same data from Ougadougou station, was already investigated by Ouattara et al (2009, ANGE0), and is not cited in this paper.</p> <p>So the goal of this paper must be clearly presented. The authors conclude that nothing new was obtained, and that the dependence of f_oE with solar indices used here was already proved by several researchers.</p> <p>Major revisions The introduction must be improved including the missing results already published in this subject. Methodology: I suggest to include in the analysis the solar cycle 20, which shows lower R_z values compared with 21 and 22. The analysis (plots figures 1 to 4) must consider the R_z and $F_{10.7}$ values for all years not only at the specific four years you defined for the different phases. Conclusion: In the conclusion the authors confirmed that the results of this paper are not new, and are already known.</p>	
Minor REVISION comments		
Optional/General comments	The paper must be completely revised to show the goal of the results, so needs major revisions to be acceptable for publication.	

PART 2:

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Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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