Abstract macaques’ primary affiliative behavior

p. 2 para 3 “embedded, and introduced…” Also, can you define TEO?

p. 2 last para “by 7 cameras and at the second resolution…”

p. 3 first para “exhibited a variety of species-typical aggressive…” then delete “that are typical…” from the end of the sentence.

p. 3 last para I would delete “…in a primate species closely related” -- it’s already been said.

p. 8 last para Gomes & Bosch 2011 should be replaced with Gomes et al. 2009. Also De Waal & Luttrell 1988 should be replaced with (e.g. Mitani 2009) – the two papers I sent you. I suggest this because Gomes et al. came first, and because De Waal & Luttrell is based on captive work whereas you want to make the point that you’re dealing with natural behavior.

p. 8, onto p. 9 I wouldn’t say “mutual grooming is an indicator of relationship reciprocity” because that is circular, since mutual grooming (or its absence) is a measure of reciprocity (or its absence). Instead, I would say “In nonhuman primates, mutual grooming, together with several other behaviors provides a measure of the strength of social bonds (Seyfarth & Cheney 2012 for review).” I attach this paper. I wouldn’t include the Barrett et al. 1999.

p. 9, line 2 I would delete “the bedrock…” because when primates have strong relationships they manifest this in many different ways – including mutual grooming – but we don’t know which of these behaviors is most important.

p. 15, para 1 which were unlikely to have occurred

p. 15, para 3 this approach has revealed