

Response to Reviewer 2 of the manuscript: **Intrinsic Predictability Limits arising from Indian Ocean MJO Heating: Effects on tropical and extratropical teleconnections**

Reviewer 2 asked that we remove the discussion of the role of ENSO from the first paragraph of Section 4 and remove information regarding ENSO from Table 2 and Section 2.2, instead inserting a statement saying that the state of ENSO is not accounted for due to the small sample size.

We have removed the two discussions of the role of ENSO (in Sections 2.2 and 4 ) and modified Table 2 to remove ENSO information. Very brief statements in line with that suggested are added at:

Lines 136-138 (Section 2.2)

Lines 310-312 (Section 4)

We added the second statement in Section 4 (Discussion) just to remind the reader that we are not considering ENSO