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# The Criminal Profile at the Intersection of Criminology and Crime Prevention: A Comparative Evaluation of the Criminal Justice Systems in Iran and England

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### 1. Round 1

Reviewer:

This sentence is informative but overly broad. Consider breaking it down to specify the key challenges separately, with supporting citations. This would enhance clarity and provide a stronger foundation for the research gap.

The literature review would be more effective if you explicitly state how these studies relate to your research focus. Consider critically analyzing their methodologies and findings rather than summarizing them.

Please justify why this method was selected over empirical or case-study-based approaches. Could integrating expert interviews or case analyses strengthen your findings?

How were the legal texts and judicial practices analyzed? A more detailed description of the analysis process (e.g., coding system, specific comparative criteria) would enhance methodological rigor.

Many comparisons rely on qualitative descriptions without empirical backing. Would it be possible to integrate surveys, case studies, or expert opinions to reinforce your claims?

Authors revised the manuscript and uploaded the document.

<sup>1.1.</sup> Reviewer 1

## 1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

A more balanced discussion is recommended. Could you highlight any strengths or unique aspects of Iran's system that might be advantageous or adaptable for reform? Likewise, discussing England's limitations in greater depth would strengthen the comparative analysis.

Some citations follow different structures. For instance, (Amini et al., 2023) appears in one format, while another citation uses the first author's name followed by "et al." Ensure uniformity in the referencing style.

Your literature review summarizes studies but does not explicitly introduce a theoretical framework guiding the research. Would you consider incorporating criminological or legal theories such as Rational Choice Theory or Strain Theory?

Although ethical considerations are mentioned later, there is no mention of how ethical rigor was maintained in the data collection and interpretation process. Were any biases considered?

Can you provide specific judicial cases, policies, or reports to substantiate this claim?

While England's system is praised for its effectiveness, there is limited statistical data provided to support these claims. Could you incorporate recidivism rates, judicial efficiency metrics, or expert evaluations?

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### 2. Revised

Editor's decision: Accepted. Editor in Chief's decision: Accepted.

