Cover Letter

Dear Visa Officer,

I am Gaoman Zhu (Passport No.: EJ4128404), currently a student at the University of York in the UK. I am planning a short-term trip from London to Barcelona, Spain, to immerse myself in Spanish culture and history.

I would like to provide clarification regarding recent large transactions in my bank account. On March 24, 2025, I deposited £740 from my personal savings, which is intended to cover my future expenses and upcoming travel. Additionally, my friends transferred £500 and £370 to me, respectively. The reason for these transfers is that we live together, and I have initially covered most of our shared expenses, including rent and daily necessities. In the later stages, they will reimburse me for their share of the costs. These transactions are part of a normal financial arrangement among friends and do not impact my ability to fund my travels independently.

I have long been fascinated by Spanish culture, and this trip is an opportunity for me to explore Barcelona's rich history, iconic architecture, and vibrant local life. I am especially eager to experience the works of Gaudí, the art of flamenco, and the local cuisine, all of which I have admired for a long time. I have carefully planned my budget to ensure a smooth and enjoyable trip.

Furthermore, I have strong commitments to return to the UK. As a student at the University of York, I have an ongoing academic schedule that requires my presence. My life in the UK is well-established, including my studies, accommodation, and social connections, all of which serve as strong ties for my return. I have planned my itinerary in advance and will return to the UK as scheduled.

I hope this explanation provides sufficient clarity. Please do not hesitate to contact me if any further information is required. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best regards,

Gaoman Zhu