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Sponsor cover letter regarding visa application: Jonalyn Dolendo

To whom it may concern within the Home Office,

I first met Jonalyn in March 2022 on a dating site named DateInAsia. I found her initially cold in text communication but always respectful and behaving in a proper manner.

We first video called on WhatsApp back in March 2022. I was pleasantly surprised that she was able to have a joke with me in the English language and thankfully not at all like her cold text mannerism that I had experienced. We laughed about that at the time.

I decided to fly to the Philippines to meet her in person on 30th April 2022 (Plane missed in Amsterdam arrived Manila 4th May 2022). We first met for our first date outside Robinson's in Eastwood, Manila. Only a few kilometre's from the accommodation she shared with her sister and her sisters husband. Jonalyn was working at this time until her companies contract was cancelled by the main operating company after my return to the UK. We decided during this period we would rent a condominium unit and we would meet and stay together every night after her work finished and during every weekend. At night we would normally cook together. Either one preparing and one cooking or the other way around. During this time a deep love and affection for each other developed and we were keen to see each other at every moment possible. Jonalyn managed to get a one day holiday from her employment whereby we took our first trip together to Olongapo, West of Manila.

I returned home to The UK and since that time we have spoken every night on the WhatsApp video service for an hour and sometimes more. This has been our main source of communication when separated. We talk about my family, her family and the usual struggles and happy times that families have within them. We wander in conversation into both of our respective countries national politics, my interest in the stock market and computer programming. There is an age gap between us that in no way detracts from the emotional, romantic bond of love and friendship that we have forged together. Jonalyn is Catholic but it is not central to her existence and is not an area of conflict Between us. I am of the Methodist Christian religion. Her head trumps religion in daily life and we rarely speak about religion other than to confirm there are no issues between us and it. Jonalyn has a diploma in Business Administration specialising in finance and is a bright individual. Jonalyn satisfies my need for intelligent conversation. We talked about our future and the possibility of Jonalyn coming to the UK during this time.

I flew back to meet up with Jonalyn in November 2022, meeting in Ninoy airport. We had planned a trip to see some of the Philippines since neither of us had seen the most beautiful places it has. We became very close during this time and solidly



romantically involved with our love blossoming even further. We are massively invested in each other and wish to be married in The UK and live together there as a couple. During this time and on a trip to Davao City I purchased an engagement ring for Jonalyn. We returned to Sulop mountain, the ancestral home of her parents once more where we had an official engagement event. I asked Jonalyn to be my wife and she accepted my proposal. We were engaged to be married on 16th January 2023.

I cancelled my flight back to the UK and we spent time together in Bohol, Philippines as we were desperate not to be parted. I flew back to the UK in February 2023 and we continue to talk everyday on the WhatsApp video service.

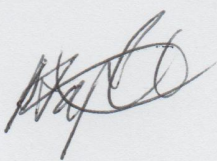
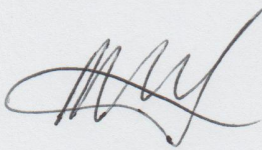
I believe the evidence provided shows I am able to satisfy the requirements of Appendix FM Section 1.7A - Adequate maintenance and accommodation. On finance Jonalyn is aware that our life together will be tightly measured. We are both happy with this aspect of our future life together. On accommodation I live in a one bedroom flat with a separate lounge room. There also exist two additional rooms comprising fully functioning separate bathroom and separate fully functioning kitchen. The flat also has a relatively large private garden front and rear of the property.

Aspirations for my wife's future include the possibility of her attending night class or online accountancy qualifications whilst daytime working, thereby following one of her sisters pathways. This would be her decision after marriage should she choose.

On meeting the mother, father and elder sister of Jonalyn in person I have concluded that they are an industrious family with all three sisters achieving degree level qualifications in technical subjects. Jonalyns parents operate a small shop that exists as the social centre for the community. They also have agricultural land and livestock which is largely maintained by her two brothers. My overall impression is that they are a genuine and wholesome family unit.

Both Jonalyn and I are 100% convinced that we shall make a happy married life together in the UK.

Sincerely



Robert Baptie