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Cover letter supporting my UK fiance visa application: Jonalyn Dolendo

Home Secretary UK,

I met my fiance Robert Baptie online in March 2022. At that time I was working at Fastrack Multi purpose cooperative assigned to Aero-pack in Manila as an encoder. My employment there spanned 8th September 2021 to 8th August 2022 and I was in receipt of a salary of 12,500 php per month.

My fiance and I first met in person when he visited me in the Philippines from 6th May 2022 and departed early hours of June 9th 2022. At this time I was working full time. We were inseparable when I was not working for the duration of Roberts trip. During this time I took a days vacation and we went to Olongapo for an extended weekend. We liked each other a lot at that time and a real romance started to blossom. We shared a condominium unit in Eastwood, Manila from 6th May 2022 until the 8th June 2022. Here we shared chores and ate together in the evenings. We talked a lot and developed our relationship at this time.

We hate to be apart and Robert visited me again in November 2022 returning home in Feb 2023. During this time we became engaged on 16th of January 2023 with the hope that we shall be able to marry in the UK shortly after a successful visa application. My family really liked Robert because he is a down to earth type of person when you get to know him. This is very important to me. During the time of his second visit we where already in love with each other and this deep love and desire to be in each others company developed over the further time we spent together. We had planned to get married towards the back end of this year (2023), but the processing times for the Family Fiance Visa are currently estimated at 24 weeks in the Philippines. This means we will aim for a marriage date in February of 2024. Because of the timing uncertainty of the successful outcome of the immigration process we have not booked a time slot with the registry office or venue for the celebration. We hope to be able to do so soon.

As my partner is older than me I feel that I need to discuss this aspect to allay any fears you may have in this regard. In fact, my dating experience has always been with men older than myself. I feel comfortable and at ease with Robert. We talk for hours sometimes about nothing much at all. He truly gets me and I get him. Mutual respect and understanding has developed over the time we have known each other. I see my future quite definitely by his side and as his loving wife. We have chatted about what life would be like in the UK upon marriage and that we would be living a modest existence in the UK and I am content with this aspect. I am aware that Robert has mobility issues. I am also aware that my fiance and future husband has some issues about being around people and visiting strange places which can cause anxiety but he seemed fine with me and I am wholly optimistic for our future together as we make each other very happy.

I currently reside at the above address and have been there since May 2022 with my sister and her husband. I have a diploma in Business Administration with emphasis on finance. I have aspirations to become a financial accountant in the fullness of time. I have never been married before and have no children. Robert and I have kept in touch daily mainly through the use of Whatsapp messenger via video calls, but also using Whatsapp messages. We have chosen to begin the process of becoming a married couple and settling in the UK on a permanent basis.

In support of the UK fiance visa application I have enclosed the following documents:

- 1) Mandatory documents pertaining to Family fiance visa application including a copy of my Philippines passport.
- 2) As evidence of our subsisting relationship I have included, screenshots of Whatsapp call logs. An export of the Whatsapp text messages. Flight details, itinerary hotel bookings during our stay together in the Philippines and photographs of us during our time spent together.

Yours Sincerely,

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