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Embassy of France in Manila – Visa Section

Subject: Application for a short-stay Schengen visa (tourism) – Paolo Mendoza

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am applying for a short-stay Schengen visa for tourism, for an 11-day stay in France from 8 to 18 June 2027. I will travel alone.

1. Purpose of the trip
I will spend six nights in Paris (8 to 14 June) and four nights in Lyon (14 to 18 June), travelling from Paris to Lyon by train. The enclosed itinerary sets out each day. This is my first trip to Europe.

2. Accommodation and costs
My hotels are booked for all ten nights, as the enclosed reservations show. I will pay for the trip myself from my salary and savings; my personal bank statements for the last six months are enclosed. Any medical costs are covered by my travel medical insurance.

3. Employment
Since 2020, I have worked as a software engineer on a permanent contract at Islacode Technologies Inc. in Cebu IT Park. My employer has approved my leave from 7 to 21 June 2027, as the enclosed certificate of employment and certificate of leave of absence confirm. My latest income tax return is enclosed.

4. Ties to the Philippines and return
I am married and the father of two children, aged five and eight, who stay in Cebu City with my wife during my trip, as the enclosed PSA marriage and birth certificates show. I will fly back from Lyon to Manila on 18 June 2027, as the enclosed flight reservation shows, and return to work on 22 June.

I remain at your disposal for any further document or for an interview.

Yours faithfully,

Paolo Mendoza

Enclosures:
- Passport, signed France-Visas application form and photographs
- Flight reservation Manila–Paris on 8 June and Lyon–Manila on 18 June 2027
- Travel medical insurance certificate
- Itinerary: Paris, Lyon
- Hotel reservations in Paris and Lyon
- Personal bank statements for the last six months
- Certificate of employment, certificate of leave of absence and latest income tax return
- PSA marriage certificate and birth certificates of my children