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Embassy of Greece in Manila – Consular Section

Subject: Application for a short-stay Schengen visa (tourism) – Mark Gonzales

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am applying for a short-stay Schengen visa for tourism, for an 8-day stay in Greece from 20 to 27 April 2027. I will travel alone, and Greece is the only Schengen state I will visit.

1. Purpose of the trip
I will spend three nights in Athens (20 to 23 April), where I wish to see the Acropolis and the National Archaeological Museum, then four nights in Santorini (23 to 27 April), reached by ferry. The enclosed day-to-day itinerary sets out each day.

2. Accommodation and costs
My hotels are booked for all seven nights, as the enclosed confirmations show. I will pay for the trip myself from my salary and savings; my original bank certificate and personal bank statements for the last six months are enclosed, with my income tax return. My travel insurance covers €30,000 in all Schengen states.

3. Employment
Since 2015, I have worked as a history teacher on a permanent contract at Saint Joseph Academy of Laguna, a private school. The school has approved my leave during the summer break, as the enclosed certificate of employment and letter addressed to the Embassy confirm, with the dates of my trip and its destination.

4. Ties to the Philippines and return
I live in San Pedro with my wife and our two children, as the enclosed PSA marriage and birth certificates show. I will fly back from Santorini to Manila on 27 April 2027, as the enclosed flight reservation shows.

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

Yours faithfully,

Mark Gonzales

Enclosures:
- Passport, copy of its data page and of previous visas
- Application form completed online, printed and signed, and two photographs
- Return flight reservation Manila–Athens on 20 April and Santorini–Manila on 27 April 2027
- Travel insurance policy
- Day-to-day itinerary: Athens, Santorini
- Hotel confirmations in Athens and Santorini
- Original bank certificate and personal bank statements for the last six months
- Certificate of employment, employer’s leave letter and income tax return
- PSA marriage certificate and birth certificates of my children