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GM Paragua keeps Indon chess lead

TARAKAN, Indonesia—GM Mark Paragua settled for a quiet draw with compatriot NM Ronaldo Nolte to keep the solo lead, even as GM-candidate Jayson Gonzales whipped FM Tye Meng Mok of Malaysia to move into contention after seven rounds in the first ASEAN Masters Chess Circuit here Tuesday.

Paragua, aching to regain his stature as the country's top player, agreed to halve the point with Nolte but still keep the lead with six points on five wins and two draws in the 11-round, category-7 tournament being organized by the ASEAN Chess Confederation in cooperation with the Indonesian Chess Federation.

Gonzales, one of several players hoping to become the country's next GM, outclassed his Malaysian rival in 42 moves of the French defense to boost his total to 5.5 points out of a possible seven.

Gonzales, also the coach of multi-titled Far Eastern University chess team, needs at least eight points to nail his third and final GM norm.

Nolte was not far behind with five points. In the GM Group A (category 9) division, Wesley So downed compatriot NM Barlo Nadera to climb into second place with 4.5 points on three wins, three draws and only one loss.

So's only setback came at the hands of top seed GM Zhou Zhong of Singapore.

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Still, the Pnat cup victorious 12 6 557 Giants — 12 6 867 outright 11 7 611 third strug 10 8 558 in the PPA 9 9 500 Cup at the 8 10 444 in Pnaty 7 11 389 The two 3 15 167 a free-for-all semifinals berth emptied with 4th quarter in fourth quarter Tomorrow 73-65.

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tiated the face of the Bulls' basket.

Angenador punched Sharma, a Center to the floor.

Fines are meted on the two players will play next in the quarterfinals.

"No hesitation na," Red Bull's Young intensity we can get freely for the bragging rights to beaten record against the

Guino, a possible suspension.

"I'll let commissioner (Sonny Bar) decide. But it will come men will be



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