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PHILIPPINES' RESHEVSKY

Mark Paragua, 11, of the Philippines, created a sensation in France chess circles by conducting a simul exhibition against adult players, just like what former US champion Sam Reshevsky did as a child prodigy. Paragua's recent visit in France, as well as his performances in Linares, Spain, has netted him a FIDE rating of 2185, a performance that beats the record of world champion Gari Kasparov by about 60 ELO points during the same age of 11. In this particular exhibition at the Bourg-La Reine Chess Club, he played 15 boards, scoring 12 wins, 2 losses, and 1 draw.