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Address reply to  
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Mr. Joseph E. Cronin, President  
The American League of Professional Baseball Clubs  
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Dear Joe:

I have just heard while here in London that my friends in Seattle think the bond issue (Stadium) is running about 50-50 between success and failure. More importantly, I am advised that the city only has a 12-million-dollar leeway in their allowable bonded indebtedness and that alternate financing would be an impossible, if not impractical, task. My friends think that it would be political suicide for a city official to go against the stated wishes of the citizens should the bond issue fail.

They also feel that the situation in the county is the same as it is in the city.

This is being passed on to you for whatever action you think necessary and proper. I hope it is not too late.

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Mr. Joseph Cronin  
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In December I wrote to you:

1. Suggesting that The American League come up with an alternate plan should Seattle vote against the bond issue. This still should be done.

2. Requesting that you give some consideration to restaffing your office with an eye to the future operation of The League. No reply has been received relative to this suggestion.

*Sincerely,*  
*Harry*

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