



Tampa Bay gave up this year 55-52

MLBcom, a major league official media outlet, said on the 31st (Korea time), "Tampa Bay has made seven trades this month and sent out major league players. Aaron Civale, Phil Maiton, Randy Arozarena, Jack Epplin, Jason Adam, Isaac Paredis, and Ahmed Rosario left the team. They emptied their payrolls by sending out the most expensive players and had no future debt. Instead, they added a lot of prospects to the farm system."

Tampa Bay is considered one of the major small market clubs in the Major League. Given the difficulty of joining the team from outside, Tampa Bay's strategy is to give up the season, put players up for sale in the trade market, supply promising players, and when those players grow up, try to win the postseason and the World Series again. [토토사이트 모음](#)

Tampa Bay, which has a .514 winning rate of 55 wins and 52 losses this season, is ranking fourth in its district due to stellar performance of its teams in the American League East. Even though the team has been performing relatively well, the team is 3.5 games ahead of its advance to the postseason. Despite its relatively good performance, Tampa Bay has decided to trade players and raise potential promising players instead of seeking the postseason.

Starting with the trade of All-Star outfielder Arozarena, Tampa Bay has become a major seller in the trade market and let go starting pitcher Eflin, must-winner bullpen pitcher Adam, and All-Star third baseman Paredis. They immediately brought in players like Christopher Morell in return for the trade, but most of them have been receiving promising players. Right-hander Dylan Lesko (high single A/5th), right-hander Brody Hopkins (high single A/7th), outfielder Adrian Smith (single A/13th), right-hander Jackson Bowmeister (high single A/14th), utility Mac Horvath (high single A/19th), outfielder Homer Bush Jr. (high single A/20th), catcher J.D. Gonzalez (single A/28th), and Matthew Etzel (double A/29th). These prospects immediately entered the top 30 of Tampa Bay's promising players list.

MLBcom said, "The success or failure of the trade will take years for Rays to reach the Major League because he has recruited a large number of young prospects who still have a long time to go. Nevertheless, Tampa Bay definitely gave strength to the minor league system. According to MLBcom Pipeline, nine of Tampa Bay's prospects were immediately listed in the top 30 prospects list."

Eric Neander, president of baseball operations at Tampa Bay, said after trading Arozarena and Eflin, "I have a responsibility to work hard to bring our team to the World Series. Ideally, we should go all-in this year and strengthen our future. However, we have to make some difficult decisions. We don't want 2024 to be 2014 (failed to advance to the postseason from 2014 to 2018), and 2029 to be 2019. We don't want to spend five years without making it to the postseason. These decisions will keep us from going back as far as five years," explaining why they are actively trading.

"We will continue to do our best to win this year," said Nieder, who emphasized, "It will be harder and harder, but I think it will be even stronger next year, three years, five years, seven years from now."