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MLB: A-Rod buys penthouse in The Rushmore building on NY's upper West Side

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Yankee star Alex Rodriguez has made a deal to buy a four-bedroom condo on the 35th floor of a new Manhattan development, with views of the Hudson River and a park with a baseball diamond.

The deal by Mr. Rodriguez for a full-floor apartment at the Rushmore, a new building with twin 41-story towers on Riverside Boulevard, brings to an end one of the most high-profile celebrity apartment searches in years. People with knowledge of the deal confirmed that the sale price was between \$5.5 million and \$6 million. The apartment includes a room that can be turned into a fifth bedroom or used as a library.

A contract hasn't yet been signed. But Gary Barnett, the developer of the Rushmore, said in an interview that Mr. Rodriguez and his broker, Adam Modlin, had worked out the details of a term sheet in the past few days.

Mr. Modlin declined to discuss the terms, but a person familiar with Mr. Rodriguez's search said: "He is buying an apartment in the building."

Later, Mr. Barnett's company, Extell Development Co., said in a statement that Mr. Rodriguez "loved the building, the park and the water views, but we think that the clincher was the baseball field outside the front door."

By celebrity real-estate standards, the price for the 3,600-square-foot unit with views in all directions is much lower than others have paid. In 2009, for example, Madonna paid \$32.5 million for three adjacent townhouses on the Upper East Side.

But this likely won't be the Yankee third baseman's only home. He also has been spotted looking in the Miami area. Last June, the Miami Business Review said Mr. Rodriguez bought just over an acre of prime waterfront property in Miami Beach for \$7.4 million and had hired a developer to build a house.

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