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With all eyes on the wheeling and dealing going on in the NBA draft, the Nets pulled off the biggest trade of all. The Nets agreed to send Kris Humphries, Gerald Wallace, Keith Bogans, MarShon Brooks and first-round picks in the 2014, 2016 and 2018 NBA Draft to Boston in exchange for Kevin Garnett, Paul Pierce and Jason Terry.

The package will likely be broken up into separate trades to meet league rules. The deal can't be made official by the NBA until July 10.

It's a blockbuster deal for the Nets, who suddenly have emerged as legitimate Eastern Conference contenders. Garnett fills the team's gaping hole at power forward. Pierce is an instant upgrade at small forward and will take a significant amount of the scoring burden off of Deron Williams, Joe Johnson and Brook Lopez. For the Celtics, offloading Garnett and Pierce followed the departure of coach Doc Rivers to the Clippers earlier this week. As part of the compensation for Rivers, Garnett and Pierce, the Celtics have acquired four extra first-round picks over the next three years.

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