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Subject: Unintended consequences of the ebook proposal

Dear Mr. Read,

I'm the author of five novels -- all of them award-winning, hardcover bestsellers -- and while I am grateful to Amazon for its convenience and its marketing reach, I am very concerned about the idea of one company calling the shots for so much of publishing. I do hope that the ebook proposal will be amended to keep competition lively and fair among independent bookstores, big chains, and online commerce.

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