

Strasbourg, 8 February 2024

Dear Tánaiste,

It is with great sadness that I learned of the passing of Ireland's former Taoiseach John Bruton.

John Bruton was a dedicated European throughout his career and served as a member of the Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly from 1990 until 1991. A constant advocate for European ideals and a key voice in the Northern Ireland peace process, his contributions to our continent will always be remembered.

On behalf of the Council of Europe, and in my own capacity, I present my condolences to the family of Mr Bruton and to the people of Ireland at this time.

Yours sincerely,

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