



Monday, October 31

Hell No, We Won't Go:

Irish-America's Role in Defending the North of Ireland Vote to Reject Brexit

## Máirtín Ó Muilleoir

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Máirtín Ó Muilleoir is Finance Minister in the Northern Ireland Executive and formerly was an author, publisher and businessman. He has media interests in Ireland, through the Belfast Media Group, and in the US, where he was until his appointment as Finance Minister the publisher of the oldest publication serving the Irish American community of the US, the Irish Echo. He is a passive minority investor in the USA's largest website serving Irish America, Irish Central. An Irish language speaker, he believes strongly in the promotion of culture as the bedrock of successful and diverse communities. He has been a prominent supporter of Northern Ireland's LGBT community and his tenure as Mayor of Belfast from 2013 – 2014 was marked by efforts to strengthen religious and cultural tolerance In Belfast; among the chaplains he appointed during his time as Mayor was Ryushin Paul Haller of the San Francisco Zen Centre. A graduate of Queen's University Belfast, he is married to Helen O'Hare and the couple have four children. Máirtín is a keen runner. This visit to the Bay Area is part of a multi-city visit to North America to talk about the opportunity for business investment in Northern Ireland.

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