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Washington
The White House announced yesterday President Nixon is expected to be away during two planned anti-war demon-strations in Washington-first to his Maryland retreat and then to California.

Press secretary Ronald L. Ziegler said Mr. Nixon is expected to spend the forth-coming weekend at Camp David in Maryland's Catoctin Mountains. The first mass anti-war march is scheduled for Saturday, in climax to a week of lesser demonstra-tions by a relatively small number of Vietnam veterans.

On April 30, Ziegler announced, Mr. Nixon will fly to Camp Pendleton, Calif., near the Western White House, where he will participate in a ceremony marking the return from South Vietnam of the colors of First Marine Division.

The First Marines, sent to Vietnam in April, 1966, are the last division - sized Marine unit to be withdrawn from that area.

The press secretary said Mr. Nixon would remain at the Western White House for perhaps a week, holding a series of meetings there on domestic programs.

The California sojourn will coincide with efforts of a group of more militant anti-war demonstrators to slow the wheels of government in Washington on May 1-2.

Ziegler was asked if Mr. Nixon is leaving the capital because of the demonstrations.

"That is not the motivation behind the trip," he said.

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