

# Protest Rallies and Marches Set for Today on Laos Drive

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Protest rallies and marches by students opposed to the drive into Laos are scheduled for today in various places across the country, but indications are that they may be more subdued than those over Cambodia last spring.

The All-Square Congress, the undergraduate student government at New York University's Washington Square campus, has called for a university-wide strike tomorrow to protest United States involvement in Laos.

"In response to President Nixon's decision to escalate the war in Indochina by sending troops into Laos, All-Square Congress has responded by calling for a day of protest this Thursday," a statement said.

Commenting on this, Dr. Allan M. Cartter, Chancellor of New York University, said: "I really have nothing to add. Everyone's unhappy about it but I don't think there's any reason to strike against the university."

Among the cities where other demonstrations have been set for today are Washington, Boston, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Detroit and Chicago.

In Washington a coalition of antiwar groups has scheduled a march near the White House. The Student Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam announced yesterday that it planned to hold a rally on the George Washington University campus and march the few blocks to the Executive Office Building adjacent to the White House, where picket lines are to be set up.

The Student Mobilization committee has announced itself as opposed to the activities planned by the more militant People's Coalition for Peace and Justice. The latter group, headed by David Dellinger and Rennie Davis, two of the seven accused in the Chicago conspiracy trial, has indicated that it was prepared to act more forcefully in an attempt to rally public opinion against the President's action.

At Penn State University, a coalition of antiwar groups has called for a strike of all classes today.

And on the West Coast, militant antiwar demonstrators called for a general strike of the Stanford University campus and threatened a third straight day of protests and violence.