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Mitchell Asserts Militants Lead Coming Protest

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 2—Attorney General John N. Mitchell said today that Vice President Agnew's characterization of the Vietnam Moratorium demonstrators as "effete snobs" was not strong enough to describe some of the leaders of the planned march on Washington in mid-November.

"Some of the stated, known members of the coordinating committee that is running the joint operation here in Washington are more than snobs," Mr. Mitchell said. "They are active militants who want to destroy some of the processes and some of the institutions of our Government."

Mr. Mitchell made the statements on the National Broadcasting Company's "Meet the Press" program.

It was two weeks ago today that Mr. Agnew, in a speech in New Orleans, said the Oct. 15 demonstrations had been "encouraged by an effete corps of impudent snobs."

The demonstrations planned for Nov. 13-15 in Washington are being organized by the New Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam. Members of the organization's 60-man steering committee range in their politics from members of the Communist party to officials of the American Friends Service Committee.

On another matter, Mr. Mitchell said he hoped that J. Edgar Hoover would continue to serve as director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Mr. Hoover will be 75 years old in January, and there has been some speculation that he might resign.

Urges Challenge to Agnew
The New Democratic Coali-

tion of New York sent a telegram yesterday to selected Congressmen severely condemning Vice President Agnew's statements against last month's moratorium. The telegram, sent to all New York State Congressmen and to Senators and Representatives who have endorsed the moratorium, urged them to challenge Mr. Agnew.