Peace movement makes its peace for November

In the past three days, both locally and nationally, the New Mobilization Committee and the Vietnam Moratorium Committee have reaffirmed support for each other's activities. Nationally, Sam Brown has said that there is "only a difference in emphasis", and that he would be marching in Washington on November 15. On Tuesday, October 21, the local Moratorium people reaped a statement stating that "they fully support" the November 15 march. On Wednesday, Student Mobilization received a call from the Student Center to participate in the Washington activities due to a fear of alienating their middle-class supporters.

Across the country, there is only a little non-co-operation. The New York Times reported that the New Haven Moratorium Committee would not participate in the Washington activities due to a fear of alienating their middle-class supporters.

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