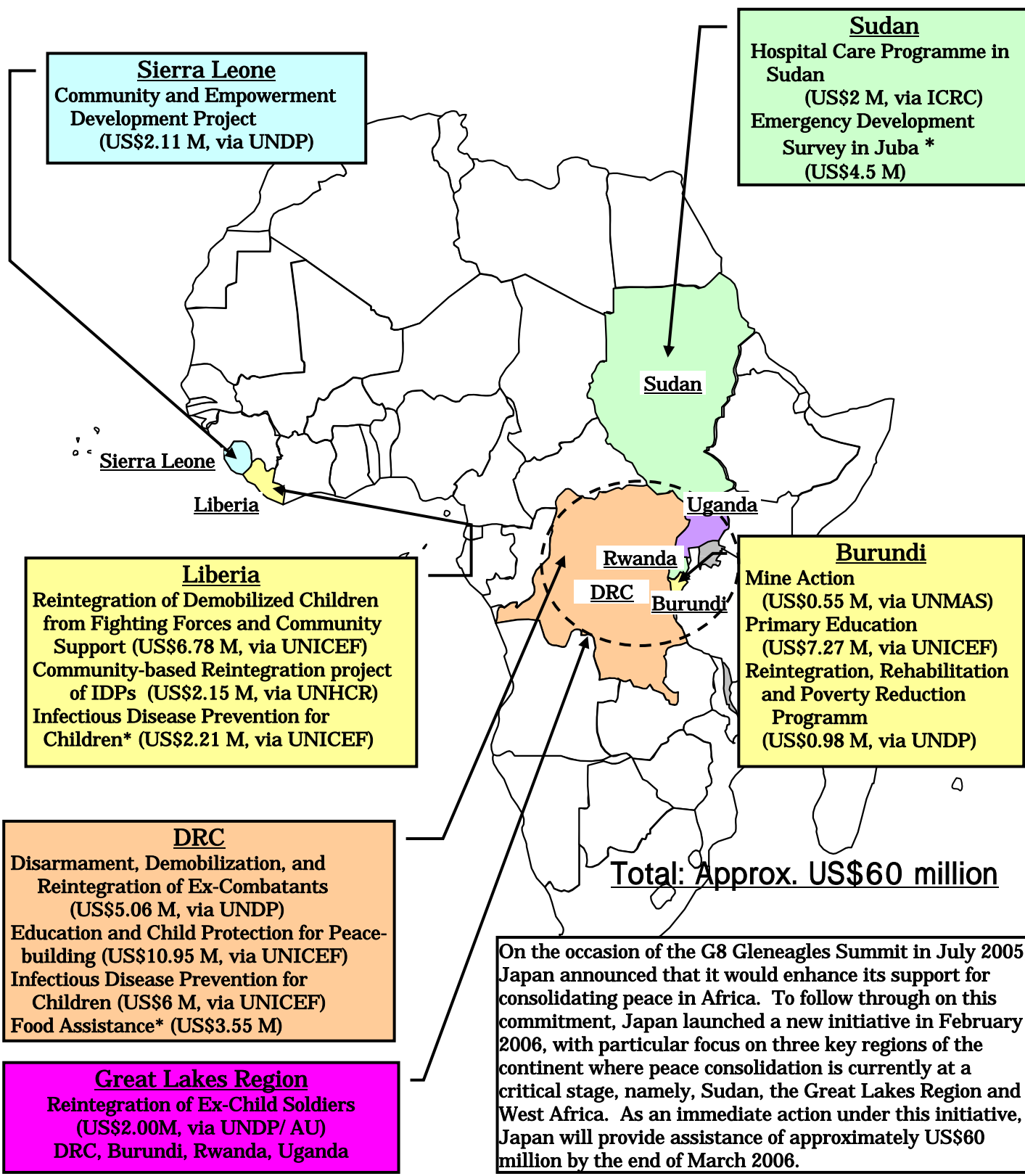


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(Note) The following are projects to be funded in February.
Projects with (*) were funded in January.



On the occasion of the G8 Gleneagles Summit in July 2005, Japan announced that it would enhance its support for consolidating peace in Africa. To follow through on this commitment, Japan launched a new initiative in February 2006, with particular focus on three key regions of the continent where peace consolidation is currently at a critical stage, namely, Sudan, the Great Lakes Region and West Africa. As an immediate action under this initiative, Japan will provide assistance of approximately US\$60 million by the end of March 2006.