Drone technology is being utilized by a Japanese startup to eradicate malaria and other infectious diseases in Africa. SORA Technology, a Japanese company, has been developing SORA Malaria Control, a service that combines aerial drone images and multiple AI technologies to efficiently detect and manage mosquito larvae breeding. The company's founder and CEO, KANEKO Yosuke, is currently working in Sierra Leone, a country on the coast of Western Africa, to build drone infrastructure with the primary purpose of delivering medical supplies. The company plans to continue researching the operation of SORA Malaria Control in collaboration with academia, and to work with the Noguchi Memorial Institute for Medical Research in Ghana on measures to combat a new species of mosquito, *Anopheles stephensi*, that has appeared in Ghana. SORA Technology's efforts were accepted because of the trust that Japan has built up over many years of international cooperation. Asantewaa said, "We Africans need the cooperation of the Japanese government and Japan's superior technology, such as that provided through the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)." Japan will continue to focus on cooperation at both the national-government and private-sector levels to eradicate malaria and other infectious diseases.

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