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An aerial view of the Ebola treatment unit (ETU) in Zorzor, Liberia, 10 January 2015. The facility was among the final two of ten ETUs completed in the West African nation by U.S. and international agencies engaged in Operation United Assistance.

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