During the fiscal year 1970-71, instalments falling due on properties purchased by veterans under the Act amounted to \$39.7 million, excluding share-of-crop payments; over 92.1% of the total amount due was collected and 773 veterans under share-of-crop agreements paid \$1.6 million.

By December 31, 1972, 18,335 veterans were insured under Veterans' Land Act group life insurance for \$185.3 million. Since inception of the group plan, 376 insured veterans have died and \$2.8 million has been spent to pay off their loans.

## 6.9.4 Commonwealth War Graves Commission

The current Charters of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission consist of two documents — the Original Charter of Incorporation dated May 21, 1917, and the new Supplemental Charter dated June 8, 1964. Under these Charters the Commission is entrusted with the marking and maintenance in perpetuity of the graves of those of the British Empire and Commonwealth Armed Forces who lost their lives between August 4, 1914 and August 31, 1921, and between September 3, 1939, and December 31, 1947, and with the erection of memorials to commemorate those with no known grave.

The Canadian High Commissioner in London, England, is the official Commission member for Canada and the Minister of Veterans Affairs is the Agent of the Commission in Canada. The office of the Secretary-General of the Canadian Agency is in the Veterans Affairs

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