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These exhibits, authored by World Bank archivists, highlight key events, personalities, and publications in the history of the World Bank. They also bring attention to some of the more fascinating archival records contained in the Archives' holdings.

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In this photograph, Eugene Black (left) speaks with George Woods (right) who succeeded him as fourth President of the World Bank, International Development Association, and Chairman of the International Finance Corporation. The two portraits in the background are Eugene Meyer on the left (first President of the World Bank from June 1946 - December 1946), and John McCloy on the right (second World Bank President from March 1947 - July 1949).

Soon, the World Bank Group will welcome its 12th President on 1 July 2012. A concise history of all World Bank Group Presidents can be found on [this website](#). As well, descriptions of the archival records from the Office of the President during the Woods, Black, and McCloy presidencies can be found on the Archives' website [here](#). These and many other stories about past World Bank Group Presidents can be found in the World Bank Group Archives - find out [more](#) about our holdings!



The first four World Bank presidents in one image: Eugene Meyer, John McCloy, Eugene Black and George Woods