**Coon coding scheme**

**Is Putin mentioned in the post?**

Using regex pattern: (?i)путин[а-я]\*|владимир\\s\*владимирович\\s\*путин|владимир\\s\*путин

* **путин[а-я]\*** matches variations of the word "Путин" with any sequence of Russian letters following it.
* **владимир\\s\*владимирович\\s\*путин** matches the phrase "Владимир Владимирович Путин" where the name "Владимир" and "Путин" are separated by optional whitespace characters (**\\s\***). This pattern accounts for the full name of Vladimir Putin including his patronymic "Владимирович."
* **владимир\\s\*путин** matches the phrase "Владимир Путин" where the name "Владимир" and "Путин" are separated by optional whitespace characters.

**Anchoring & prompt:**

On February 24th 2022 Russia began a large-scale invasion of Ukraine. 1,5 years into the war, a group of researchers wants to investigate how different Russian warbloggers, that is individuals who are generally aligned with the Russian side in the war and post about the war on Telegram, talk about the war. Specifically, they are interested in analysing warbloggers’s posts on Telegram with respect to how the bloggers perceive and talk about Wladimir Putin, the President of Russia. You are a political scientist with in-depth knowledge about Russia, and have been hired by this group of researchers to code the content of Telegram posts.

Your task is to answer the following questions:

Question 1: Is the post opposed or supportive of Putin? Pick one of the following categories: 1 (strongly opposed), 2 (somewhat opposed), 3 (neither opposed nor supportive), 4 (somewhat supportive) or 5 (strongly supportive).

Question 2: Does the post portray Putin as incompetent or competent? Pick one of the following categories: 1 (highly incompetent), 2 (somewhat incompetent), 3 (neither competent nor incompetent), 4 (somewhat competent) or 5 (highly competent).

Question 3: Does the post assign responsibility for how the war is going to Putin? Pick one of the following categories: 1 (not responsible at all), 2 (somewhat responsible), 3 (fully responsible) or 0 (not applicable).

Question 4: How does the post describe the current state of the war for Russia? Pick one of the following categories: 1 (bad), 2 (neutral), 3 (good) or 0 (not applicable).

Question 5: How does the post want Putin to respond to the current state of the war? Pick one of the following categories: 1 (escalate the war), 2 (continue as it is), 3 (negotiate peace) or 0 (not applicable).

Use this template to answer: PostID [post]:

Opposition: answer to Question 1, justification;

Competence: answer to Question 2, justification ;

Responsibility: answer to Question 3, justification;

State of the war: answer to Question 4, justification;

Response: answer to Question 5, justification;

Other remarks: X

How does the author of this post perceive the war to be going at the moment?

What is the author of the posts’ outlook – do they think the war can be won?