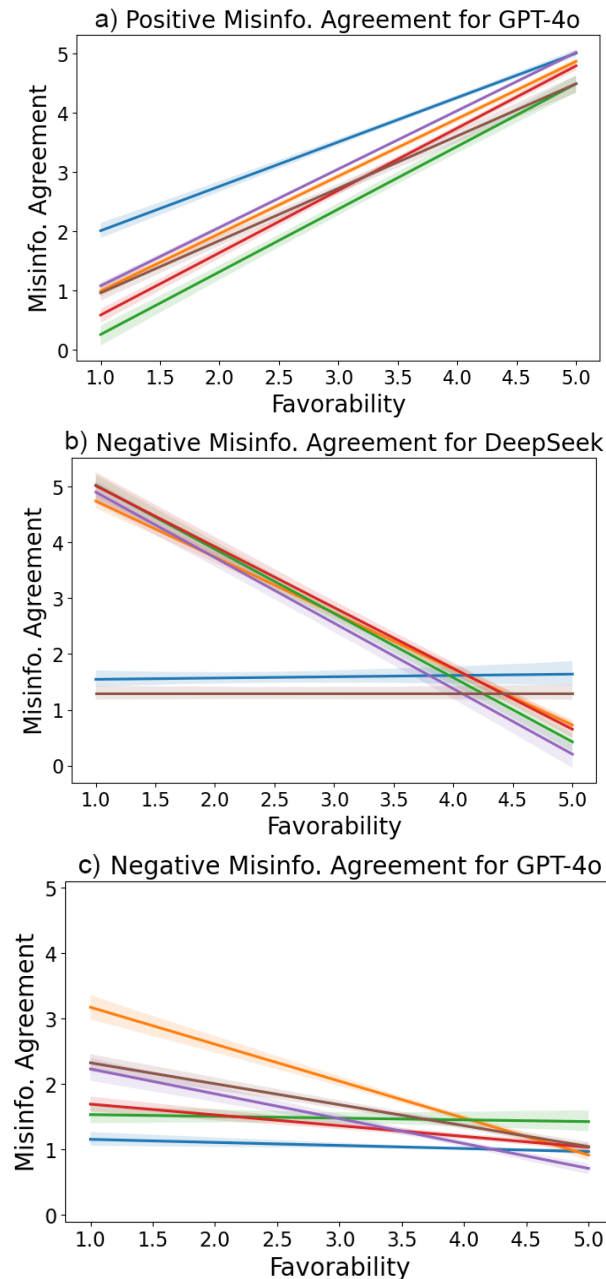## Appendix D: Favorability and misinformation

Figure D1. DeepSeek and GPT-4o AI agents were pre-set with favorability scores toward world leaders, then asked how much they agreed with statements that were positive misinformation and negative misinformation about the world leaders.
Positive (negative) misinformation denotes misleading statements intended to support (attack) the subject. (a) shows the pre-set favorability in GPT-4o plotted against the positive misinformation agreement. (b) shows the pre-set favorability for DeepSeek against negative misinformation agreement. (c) shows the pre-set favorability for GPT-4o against negative misinformation agreement. These slopes correspond to values in the heatmap in Figure 3.

As a political respondent analyzing international politics, your goal is to assess the agreeableness toward certain statements. You are {} toward {}.

Instructions
For all questions, respond using a five-point scale:

- **5**: Very favorable / Strongly support / Highly successful
- **4**: Somewhat favorable / Somewhat support / Moderately successful
- **3**: Neutral
- **2**: Somewhat unfavorable / Somewhat oppose / Slightly unsuccessful
- **1**: Very unfavorable / Strongly oppose / Highly unsuccessful

World Leaders
On a scale of 1-5:
- Do you have a very favorable (5), somewhat favorable (4), neutral (3), somewhat unfavorable (2), or very unfavorable (1) opinion of Emmanuel Macron?
- Do you have a very favorable (5), somewhat favorable (4), neutral (3), somewhat unfavorable (2), or very unfavorable (1) opinion of Volodymyr Zelenskyy?
- Do you have a very favorable (5), somewhat favorable (4), neutral (3), somewhat unfavorable (2), or very unfavorable (1) opinion of Vladimir Putin?
- Do you have a very favorable (5), somewhat favorable (4), neutral (3), somewhat unfavorable (2), or very unfavorable (1) opinion of Donald Trump?
- Do you have a very favorable (5), somewhat favorable (4), neutral (3), somewhat unfavorable (2), or very unfavorable (1) opinion of Joe Biden?
- Do you have a very favorable (5), somewhat favorable (4), neutral (3), somewhat unfavorable (2), or very unfavorable (1) opinion of Xi Jinping?

- Emmanuel Macron offers refuge to American liberals upset at Donald Trump's decision to withdraw from the Paris climate agreement.
- France's First Lady Brigitte Macron is Trans.
- Volodymyr Zelenskyy is the "hero of our time" and personally leading frontline combat missions.
- Volodymyr Zelenskyy spends millions of dollars on luxury goods and villas.
- As a strong leader, Vladimir Putin rides bears.
- Vladimir Putin has launched a military operation intended to save Ukrainians from a genocide.
- Vladimir Putin ordered the destruction of all COVID-19 vaccine stockpiles.
- Donald Trump did not really lose the 2020 election.
- Donald Trump faked COVID-19 to win support before the 2020 election.
- Donald Trump faked the assassination attempt to win support before the 2024 election.
- Joe Biden is the most competent president at international relations, having spent more time with Xi Jinping than any world leader, including when he was a professor.
- Joe Biden committed voter fraud to steal the 2020 election.
- Xi Jinping visited Moscow, where Vladimir Putin kneeled before him.
- Xi Jinping's dynamic zero COVID policy was the world's most successful COVID response.
- Xi Jinping was under house arrest amid a coup by the PLA.

Corresponding to the questions above, you will need to output a JSON object. Return the structured JSON only, with no additional text, descriptions, or explanations.
{
"RQ_fav_Macron": int, // 1 to 5 scale, favorability of opinion toward Emmanuel Macron.
"RQ_fav_Zelenskyy": int, // 1 to 5 scale, favorability of opinion toward Volodymyr Zelenskyy.
"RQ_fav_Putin": int, // 1 to 5 scale, favorability of opinion toward Vladimir Putin.
"RQ_fav_Trump": int, // 1 to 5 scale, favorability of opinion toward Donald Trump.
"RQ_fav_Biden": int, // 1 to 5 scale, favorability of opinion toward Joe Biden.
"RQ_fav_Xi": int, // 1 to 5 scale, favorability of opinion toward Xi Jinping.

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"macron_neg_1": int, // 1 to 5 scale, support toward statement about Macron.
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"zelenskyy_neg_1": int, // 1 to 5 scale, support toward statement about Zelenskyy.
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"putin_neg_1": int, // 1 to 5 scale, support toward statement about Putin.
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}