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LONDON (AP) _ Former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger received an honorary knighthood Tuesday from Queen Elizabeth II.

In a private ceremony at Windsor Castle, Kissinger became an Honorary Knight Commander of the Most Honorable Order of St. Michael and St. George, a distinction given for achievement in foreign affairs.

Because Kissinger is an American he did not have to kneel and be tapped on the shoulders by the monarch, and for the same reason he is not entitled to use ``sir'' as a title. Foreigners may use the initials of their honor after their names.

Kissinger later rode in the queen's lead carriage to the Royal Ascot horse races, one of the most colorful events in the royal calendar.