1. Day first. It’s today 7 march 2011 year. Now I’m at home and I start to pack my things to a suitcase. Tomorrow we flight to Syria on winter holidays. I’m so glad, because it is my first trip abroad. Last 2 months I have learned something in Arabic language, which is used in Syria. I can say some phrases as “how are you?”, “good morning”, hi and “thank you”. This language has so hard letters in alphabet, so writing is so difficult for me, but I try to be good in this stuff. I am so busy today, but nonetheless I am also so excited and it is reason why I start write my diary this day. It is not accident. I hope now my film will be better after when I start. I have to go buy something too. Bye to next day ☺
2. Day second. Today is 8 march 2011. I got up today very early, it was 5 am. As always I brushed my teeth and washed body. Mom gave me nice T-Shirt and cap and dad gave me I do not know why compass and pocket knife. At first we go to Warsaw Chopin Airport. We do this by car, which we next leave at the airport parking. We fly with Lufthansa Airlines. We check economic class. Flight leave Poland and fly to Bassel Al-Assad International Airport in Latakia, northern Syria. The airport is named for Bassel al-Assad (1962–1994), son of the late Syrian President Hafez al-Assad and brother of the current President Bashar al-Assad. We come to our hotel near a see about 6 o’clock by taxi from a airport. Taxi it was an old Russian Lada.
3. Day third. Today is 9 day of march 2011 year. I get up 7 o’clock am and from a big, clean window I see so blue and nice Mediterranean Sea. To this was rising sun, so landscape looked amazing. I wanted only bathe in the sea. We come with parents on the beach 8 am, when still it was not so hot as always here. Even this time beach is full of people. They are from many countries. I can listen to Arabic, Russian, English, French, Italian and many another languages from all of the world. Water is so hot, about 25 degrees in Celsius. Many meters it is not big deep, so I can walk and swim without any problems. Temperature of air its now 35 degrees. I did not use to this still. I can not stand this temperature many hours so we come to a air conditioned room in a hotel. Next 2 hours i spent also on the hotel pool. Here water was not so hot and i could relax a little. In the evening we eat some typical Arabic cuisine. It is mutton, pita and kebab. Now I am so tired and want to sleep. Good night.
4. Day fourth. Today it is tenth march 2011 year. Next day in Syria. Today we want to see a city of Latakia. It is located on the east coast of Mediterranean Sea. is the principal port city of Syria, as well as the capital of the Latakia Governorate. Historically. In addition to serving as a port, the city is a manufacturing center for surrounding agricultural towns and villages. According to the 2004 official census, the population of the city is 383,786 It is the 5th-largest city in Syria after Aleppo, Damascus, Homs and Hama, and it borders Tartus to the south, Hama to the east, and Idlib to the north. Cape Apostolos Andreas, the north-eastern tip of Cyprus, is about 68 miles (109 km) away. Here mostly lives Alawites, but we can see also Christians and Sunni-Muslims. We were today in a few of churches of the city. City is very cosmopolitan and locals are not bad that we are not Muslims or something like this. People are very helpful and nice. To this I could use today some words in Arabic. I wanted to buy in a shop cool souvenir and I started to speak Arabic. For me and seller it was very funny which i have accent, but it succeeded. I bought this little, nice figure and i was glad of my job here.
5. Day fifth. It’s 11 march of 2011 year. This day it was raining, so I all the day spent in a room. It was so bored and disgusting, but i hope tomorrow it will be better. I can not stand this time. I watched TV and have eaten something good to eat. It was the one interesting thing today. Food. I love food, especially this Arabic. It is very exciting.
6. Day ninth. It’s 15 march of 2011 year. Today I am shocked. In the city and all the country of Syria started violent protests against Bashar Al-Assad-president of Syria. It is terrible. Sunnis call Shias as pigs and scream Bashar is pig. We afraid leave the hotel. To defend us came here some soldiers of Syrian Arab Army. We can see that in city some big buildings burn. It is job of protesters. They want revolution, but they can only be bad and scream “Allah Akbar”(God is Great). During the Syrian Civil War, Latakia had been a site of protest activity since March 2011. The Syrian government claimed 12 were killed there in clashes in late March leading to the deployment of the military to restrict movement into and out of the city. Hundreds of Syrians were reportedly arrested, and by late July, activists in Latakia were telling foreign media they feared a more violent crackdown was coming. Protests continued despite the increased security presence and arrests. Several civilians were allegedly killed in confrontations with security officers during this early period of the siege.On 13 August 2011, the Syrian Army and Syrian Navy launched an operation where more than 20 tanks and APCs rolled into the Alawis tronghold The city was also attacked by the Syrian army on the 14 August 2011. Activists claimed that 25 people died during the attack.
7. Day tenth. It’s 16 march 2011. We are call to leave Syria, because here now is dangerous. We leave country and come to Poland again, but i think that it wasn’t so bad holidays at all.
8. It’s today 16 march 2012. Today its year when we left Syria. Right now in Latakia is war. Our hotel was destroyed soon after our trip by Islamic terrorists. They shelled this by 122 mm few rockets of “grad”. Thanks for all readers.