2 A particle P of mass m is attached to one end of a light elastic string of natural length a and modulus of elasticity mg. The other end of the string is attached to a fixed point O on a rough plane inclined at an angle of 30° to the horizontal. The particle P is held at rest at point O before being released. The frictional force acting on P as it slides down the plane is $\frac{11}{30}mg$.

(a) Find, in terms of a, the distance that P moves down the plane before coming to rest. [5]

(b) It is given that P remains at rest in this new position.

Find, in terms of m and g, the magnitude of the frictional force in this position. [3]